



# AMHERST

New Hampshire

Town and School Reports  
1963



ANNUAL REPORTS  
*of the*  
Town Officers  
*of*  
Amherst, N. H.  
*for the*  
*Year Ending December 31, 1963*

*Also*  
Officers of School District  
*Year Ending June 30, 1963*

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## TOWN OFFICERS – 1963

### *Moderator*

A. M. Wight, Jr.

### *Selectmen*

Dewey W. Smith '64

Hermon W. Anderson '65

Francis W. Whaland '66

### *Town Clerk*

Catherine A. Kruger

### *Tax Collector*

Barbara H. Landry

### *Town Treasurer*

Catherine A. Kruger

### *Road Agent*

Richard G. Crocker

### *Cemetery Sexton*

Richard G. Crocker

### *Constable*

Albert H. Junkins

### *Supervisors of Checklists*

Phyllis Hill

Beatrice B. Montgomery

Harold H. Wilkins

### *Auditors*

Orson H. Bragdon

Howard L. Husmer

### *Trustees of Trust Funds*

Edward A. Conti 1 year

David T. Ramsay 2 years      Chester B. McGrath, Jr. 3 years

### *Library Trustees*

Benjamin G. Bundy 1 year

Elizabeth G. Hall 2 years

Dorothy L. Carlsmith 1 year

Howard L. Husmer 2 years

Henry F. Merrill 3 years

Harriet S. Mitiguy 3 years

### *Administrative Zoning Official and Building Inspector*

Charles A. Kennedy

### *Board of Adjustment*

Francis O. Lathrop 1 year

Howard Russell 4 years

Edward A. Conti 2 years

Richard Thurston 5 years

Hamilton P. Dunbar 3 years

*Road Commissioners*

Frederick Vatcher	'64	George E. Hammond, Jr.	'65
		Rufus I. Brown	'66

*Planning Board*

Paul L. Levesque	'64	Harry Mitiguy	'66
Meric G. Arnold	'65	Richard A. Smith	'66
Robert Currier	'67	Robert S. Hall	'67

Dewey W. Smith, ex-officio

*Ways and Means Committee*

Lawrence A. Carlsmith, Chairman	Carl S. Merrill
Maurice E. Young	Domenic Abitabile
Herbert Campman	Paul Backus

James R. Walker

*Tree Committee*

F. Tenney Clough, Chairman  
Creeley S. Buchanan  
Robert W. Seamans

*Cemetery Trustees*

Edward A. Conti, Chairman  
Dewey W. Smith  
Clarence H. Hagar

**OFFICE HOURS  
of  
TOWN OFFICERS**

**Selectmen**

At Town Hall 2nd and 4th Monday evenings  
from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Tax Collector**

Office at home — Mack Hill Road.

Town Hall — Monday, Wednesday and Friday,  
9:00 a.m. to Noon. Also 2nd and 4th Monday eve-  
nings 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Town Clerk and Treasurer**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00  
a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Monday evenings 5:00 — 7:00 p.m.

**General Information**

Phone Town Hall	673-2305
Tax Collector	673-1513
Town Clerk & Treasurer	673-3235
Fire Chief	673-2543
Ass't. Chief & Road Agent	673-1293
Police Chief	HA 4-3300

**Veteran's exemption blanks MUST be filed each year  
BEFORE April 15.**

Obtain a permit before burning trash out of doors.  
Any kind of outside fire is subject to a \$200. fine if  
started without obtaining a permit. Charles Duval or  
Richard G. Crocker have charge of these permits.

Every new building, sign or new business requires  
a permit from the Administrative Official.

Be sure to state legal address in addition to mailing  
address when required to do so.

**TOWN WARRANT**  
**State of New Hampshire**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the  
County of Hillsborough in said State,  
qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall  
in said Amherst on Tuesday, the 10th day of March  
next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act upon  
the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the  
year ensuing.

**Polls open at 10 A. M. and close at 7 P. M.**

**Business Meeting at 8 P. M.**

**The Voting on Articles 1 through 8 Will Be  
on the Town Ballot**

2. To see if the Town will vote to make the follow-  
ing change upon the "Zoning Map of the Town of Am-  
herst, New Hampshire" dated February 1963:

Change that portion of the existing Transition Dis-  
trict which lies south of the Milford Road (Route  
101-A) from a point commencing 1100 feet from the  
easterly beginning of the Transition District to a point  
390 feet going westerly, to a Commercial District.

3. To see if the Town will vote to make the follow-  
ing change upon the "Zoning Map of the Town of Am-  
herst, New Hampshire" dated February 1963:

Extend the Industrial District which lies south of  
the Old Nashua Road and north of the Hollis-Amherst  
town line, in an easterly direction to the end of the  
existing Transition District, thence southerly on a line  
perpendicular to the Hollis-Amherst town line so as to  
encompass the land now in the Rural District which lies  
between the southern bound of the existing Transition  
District and the Hollis-Amherst town line.



4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

Add to Section 5-6 pertaining to uses permitted by special exception in the Rural District the following new sub-section:

j. Inns, cabins, motels or other transient space provided that each individual rented space, in the case of cabin or a motel, shall be supplied with running water and toilet facilities within the rented unit.

5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

1. Add the following in its proper alphabetical location to Article IX entitled "Definitions":

"PLANNED DEVELOPMENT" – the use of an area of land 10 acres or larger for any purposes allied to commercial or industrial use, provided however,

(a) not more than 40% of the total area of plot be occupied by buildings.

(b) no structure be built nearer than 100 feet where the plot abuts RE, L, or T District."

2. In line "I" of Section 5-6 make the word "Development" plural and remove the word "Group" from the first sentence.

6. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

Revise Section 6-3 which has to do with the Board of Adjustment by:

1. having Paragraph "F," which has to do with the procedure of the Board of Adjustment on permits for special exceptions and variances, become "F(1)"

2. striking after "F(1)" the words "and variances"

3. striking from subparagraph 1 the words "or variances"

4. striking from subparagraph 2 the words "or a variance"

5. adding a new paragraph "F(2)" which shall be headed "Procedure for Permits based upon a Variance" and shall read:

1. "Upon receipt from the Administrative Official of a request for a permit based upon the granting of a variance, the Board of Adjustment shall

(a) Post a notice of such request in two public places in the Town of Amherst for a period of not less than seven days, at the same time,

(b) give written notice to all abutters of such request.

2. If, within ten days after the date of posting of the notice required in 1 above from any legal resident, the Board of Adjustment receives any written objection to the granting of the variance requested, it shall

(a) fix a reasonable time for a hearing upon the request,

(b) proceed as outlined in Subparagraph b, c, and d of "F(1)" - 2 above.

3. If after ten days of the notice of the request no written objection has been received by the Board of Adjustment, it shall then study the merits of the application and act at its discretion in accord with the spirit and the intent of this ordinance. In such action it may impose such additional requirements as it may deem necessary to meet the needs of the particular case.

4. No variance, however, shall be granted under this subsection to allow a structure or use in a zone where such use is not enumerated as a principal permitted use in said zone."

7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

1. relocate Paragraph "J" of Section 6-3 to immediately before Paragraph G and to designate the same as Paragraph "F(3)" and head the same to read "Conditions for the Granting of a Variance"

2. designate existing Paragraph "K" of Section 6-3 as "J."

8. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

1. Remove line No. 5 under "A" under Section 4-5 which has to do with permitted uses in the Rural District.

2. Add a sub-paragraph 3-7 to Article III (General Provisions) which shall read:

MOBILE HOMES AND TRAILERS — the storage of or use as a permanent residence of a house trailer or mobile home is prohibited in all districts of the Town except that the use of a mobile home as a place of permanent residence may be permitted on land fronting upon Truell Road and the Truell Road Extension as such roads exist at the time of the passage of this sub-section.

9. To see if the Town will vote to give the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

10. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  on the 1964 property taxes paid by May 1, 1964. Any person paying on their 1964 property tax bill an amount equal to 80% of their 1963 property tax to be allowed a discount of  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  on their 1964 bill if paid in full by December 1, 1964.

11. To raise such funds and sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

12. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem to be in the best interest of the Town, the Proctor lot so-called, located on the southerly side of Route 101-A, said lot having been acquired by the Town of Amherst by Tax Collector's Deed.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of up to \$15,000 of such sums as may be realized from the sale of the Proctor land for the preparation of a tax map for the Town of Amherst, or take action relative thereto.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to continue the plan started in 1958 for road improvement.

15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as Town Roads the following private roads which have been built to the specifications of the Road Agent and approved by the Selectmen:

1. Miles Road by Ralph House
2. Pinnacle Road by Holman McLean
3. Southfield Road by Holman McLean
4. Flanders Road by A. A. Knight
5. Pheasant Run by A. A. Knight
6. Old Coach Lane by A. A. Knight
7. Woodland Drive by Maurice Young (2nd half)
8. Pinewood Drive by Robert Currier (2nd half)

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$760.00 to blacktop the Town Road known as Brookwood Drive, from the junction of the New Boston Road to the terminus of the said Brookwood Drive, a distance of 850 feet, or take any action relative thereto. (By Petition)

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$585.00 for the purpose of paving 650 feet of Pinewood Drive, a duly accepted Town Road, or take any action relative thereto. (By Petition)

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2500 to blacktop the road known as Oak Hill, a duly accepted Town Road, a distance of 2100 feet, or take any action relative thereto. (By Petition)

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550 to gravel and blacktop the Town Road known as West Street in the Baboosic Lake section of the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

20. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to accept as a Town Road any road that meets the following specifications:

(1) The right of way shall be at least 45 feet in width and conveyed to the Town by Deed.

(2) The finish grade shall be at least 24 feet in width.

(3) The roadbed shall be constructed by (a) removal of all loam and yielding materials for 30 feet in width, (b) shall have all boulders broken off at least 12 inches beneath the sub-grade, (c) the sub-grade shall be constructed of at least 12 inches of

gravel with a minimum width of 24 feet, (d) the finish grade shall be constructed of at least 4 inches of fine gravel such as will go through a 2-inch mesh screen, (e) shall have applied an asphalt surface of a minimum of 1¼ gallons per square yard mixed and placed, (f) shall have drainage and culverts installed where necessary.

(4) All Dead Ends shall be provided with a turnaround of at least 75 feet radius.

(5) A developer planning to make a new road must get in touch with the Selectmen and they with the Road Agent and the Road Commission to (a) see and approve the right of way; (b) at the completion of the roadbed before the application of gravel thereto.

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to continue the plan of Common Rehabilitation started in 1963 and recommended by the Tree Committee, or take any action relative thereto.

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to defray the Town's share of the White Pine Blister Rust Control or act in relation thereto.

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purpose of continuing the program of purchasing and having erected suitable street name signs commenced by the passage of Article 19 at Town meeting, March 13, 1962, or take action relative thereto.

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purpose of commencing a program of grading, filling and seeding town owned land south of Route 101-A (Milford Road)

near an area known as Mother Gardner's Crossing; such area to be used for public recreational purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take option or options in the name of the Town for the purchase of land or lands within the Town which based upon favorable report of the Planning Board, they deem might be desirable to acquire for present or future use as a site for needed public facilities such as recreational areas, town forests, cemeteries or public buildings; and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to be used to exercise such authority or act in relation thereto.

26. To see if the Town will vote to grant permission to the Congregational Church of Amherst, N. H. to install four loudspeakers in the church belfry, cost and maintenance to be the responsibility of the church. Said speakers are to be the exterior part of the installation of chimes.

27. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-four.

DEWEY W. SMITH,  
HERMON W. ANDERSON,  
FRANCIS E. WHALAND,  
Selectmen of Amherst

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

DEWEY W. SMITH,  
HERMON W. ANDERSON,  
FRANCIS E. WHALAND,  
Selectmen of Amherst

## BUDGET

**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year  
January 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964**

**Compared with**

**Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures  
of the Previous Year January 1, 1963 to December 31, 1963**

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1963	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1963	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1964
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$18,000.00	\$ 18,727.37	\$19,000.00
Savings Bank Tax		1,367.31	
Reimburse. a/c State & Federal		1.66	
Office reimbursement		97.05	
For Fighting Forest Fires		264.13	
Rust Control		3.00	
Bounties	19.00	0.00	20.00
Bike Tags		22.00	
Dog Licenses	850.00	1,005.70	850.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees		56.00	
Fines and Forfeits, Munic. Court	200.00	800.00	
Rent, Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	875.00	771.18	750.00
Fisk Fund	83.07	83.07	
Highway Income:			
Rental of Equipment		503.07	
Winter		865.43	
Parks		23.29	
Oiling		1,225.72	
Town Property	30.00	0.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	18,000.00	20,546.06	19,000.00
Cemetery Credit		607.00	
Annual Care		292.50	
Cemetery Lots		87.00	
Social Security	250.00	374.90	250.00
Perpetual Care		1,200.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds		2,054.30	
In Anticipation of Taxes		10,000.00	
Insurance Refund		18.65	
Income from Trust Funds	800.00		
Interest		1,123.40	
Property Taxes Redeemed		2,301.13	
Poll Taxes — Regular @ \$2	1,800.00	1,888.00	1,800.00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes	70.00	120.40	70.00



SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1963	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1963	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1964
Yield Taxes	100.00	84.00	400.00
Head Taxes		6,265.00	
Revenue from all sources except Property Taxes	\$41,077.07	\$ 72,778.32	\$42,140.00
Amt. to be raised by Property Taxes		\$309,047.69	

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp. Previous Year 1963	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1963	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1964
Town Officers' Salaries and Article 8	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 3,375.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,500.00	3,330.64	3,750.00
Election & Registration	250.00	191.12	1,000.00
Municipal Court	200.00	200.00	100.00
Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	2,500.00	2,809.51	2,500.00
Retirement & Soc. Security	500.00	907.64	750.00
Police Department	2,500.00	2,570.99	3,500.00
Fire Department	8,105.00	10,926.04	8,370.00
Care of Trees	2,000.00	1,951.00	2,000.00
Insurance	3,370.00	4,185.27	3,600.00
Planning & Zoning, Art. 17	200.00	0.00	100.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	250.00	505.95	750.00
Civil Defense	1,000.00	1,024.20	100.00
Health Department	50.00	26.00	50.00
Vital Statistics	80.00	55.00	80.00
Oiling	9,800.00	10,595.92	10,530.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	600.00	676.77	600.00
Summer Maintenance	8,500.00	9,082.63	9,080.00
Winter Maintenance	14,000.00	19,745.48	14,000.00
Street Lighting	2,600.00	2,520.42	2,600.00
General Highway Expense	800.00	1,149.36	800.00
Town Road Aid	1,275.53	1,275.53	1,269.21
Libraries	3,259.71	3,259.71	3,757.29
Town Poor	2,500.00	2,036.67	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	4,500.00	6,087.50	6,000.00
Memorial Day & Vets.	200.00	193.00	200.00
Soldiers' Aid	500.00	77.25	500.00
Parks & Playgrounds	700.00	672.16	700.00
Cemeteries	1,600.00	3,654.30	1,600.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp. Previous Year 1963	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1963	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1964
Comm. Center	1,950.00	1,950.00	2,100.00
Auto Permits	900.00	1,009.50	1,100.00
Interest:			
Temporary Loans	350.00	118.76	350.00
Long Term Notes & Bonds	600.00	442.32	200.00
Article 7 — Town Construction	1,000.00	1,008.93	
Hydrant Rental	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,550.00
Souhegan Nursing	400.00	400.00	400.00
Article 9 — Rust Control	150.00	150.00	
Article 12 — Common	500.00	499.32	
Article 15 — Truell Road	1,200.00	1,196.28	
Article 16 — Signs	300.00	309.94	300.00
Zoning Board		98.80	100.00
Long Term Notes	10,450.00	10,450.00	7,000.00
Taxes bought by Town		3,516.74	
Abatements & Discounts		161.45	
Bounties		1.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds		2,219.00	
State of New Hampshire		5,663.61	
Head Tax Commissions		559.65	
Souhegan National Bank:			
Temporary Loan		10,000.00	
Hillsborough County Tax		23,021.89	
Amherst Village District		3,805.47	
Amherst School District:			
1962-63		20,936.32	
1963-64		192,041.33	
Total Expended for all purposes		\$374,195.37	
Due School District 1963-64			44,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$98,065.24	\$112,268.91	

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES — 1963 Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1963

Title of Appropriation	Amount	Receipts	Total		Under	Over	Estimated
			Available	Expended			
Town Officers' Sal. & Art. 8	\$ 3,375.00		\$ 3,375.00	\$ 3,375.00			\$ 3,375.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,500.00	97.05	3,597.05	3,330.64	\$266.41		3,750.00
Municipal Court	200.00	800.00	1,000.00	200.00	800.00		100.00
Election & Registration	250.00		250.00	191.12	58.88		1,000.00
Town Hall	2,500.00	771.18	3,271.18	2,809.51	461.67		2,500.00
Social Security	500.00	374.90	874.90	907.64		32.74	750.00
Police Department	2,500.00	22.00	2,522.00	2,570.99		48.99	3,500.00
Fire Department	8,105.00	264.13	8,369.13	10,926.04		2,556.91	8,370.00
Tree Care	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,951.00	49.00		2,000.00
Insurance	3,370.00	18.65	3,388.65	4,185.27		796.62	3,600.00
Planning	200.00		200.00		200.00		100.00
Legal Expenses	250.00	1,005.70	1,255.70	505.95	749.75		750.00
Civil Defense	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,024.20		24.20	100.00
Health	50.00		50.00	26.00	24.00		50.00
Vital Statistics	80.00		80.00	55.00	25.00		80.00
Oiling	9,800.00	1,225.72	11,025.72	10,595.92	429.80		10,530.00
Dumps	600.00		600.00	676.77		76.77	600.00
Summer Maintenance	8,500.00	503.07	9,003.07	9,082.63		79.56	9,080.00
Winter Maintenance	14,000.00	948.50	14,948.50	19,745.48		4,796.98	14,000.00
Street Lighting	2,600.00		2,600.00	2,520.42	79.58		2,600.00
General Expense Highway	800.00		800.00	1,149.36		349.36	800.00
Town Road Aid	1,275.53		1,275.53	1,275.53			1,269.21

Libraries	3,259.71	3,259.71	3,259.71	3,757.29
Town Poor	2,500.00	2,500.00	463.33	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	4,500.00	4,500.00	6,087.50	6,000.00
Memorial Day	200.00	23.00	193.00	200.00
Aid to Soldiers	500.00	500.00	77.25	500.00
Parks and Playgrounds	700.00	23.29	672.16	700.00
Cemeteries	1,600.00	2,054.30	3,654.30	1,600.00
Comm. Center	1,950.00	1,950.00	1,950.00	2,100.00
Auto Permits	900.00	900.00	1,009.50	1,100.00
Interest — Temp. Loans	350.00	350.00	118.76	350.00
Interest — Long Term	600.00	600.00	442.32	200.00
Article 7 — Roads	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,008.93	8.93
Hydrant Rental	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,550.00
Souhegan Nursing	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
Article 9 — Rust Control	150.00	153.00	150.00	150.00
Article 12 — Common	500.00	500.00	499.32	500.00
Article 15 — Truell Rd.	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,196.23	
Article 16 — Signs	300.00	300.00	309.94	9.94
Zoning			98.80	100.00
Long Term Notes	10,450.00	10,450.00	10,450.00	7,000.00
	\$ 98,065.24	\$ 8,134.49	\$112,268.91	\$10,576.80
Village District	3,805.47	3,805.47	3,805.47	
County Tax	23,021.89	23,021.89	23,021.89	
TOTAL	\$124,892.60	\$ 8,134.49	\$139,096.27	\$10,576.80
				4,507.62
NET OVERDRAFT				\$ 6,069.18

Trustees of Trust Funds Bal.	70.00	2,163.50	2,233.50	2,219.00	Due 14.50
Tax Sale				3,516.74	
Abatements and Refunds				161.45	
Bounties				1.00	
State of New Hampshire				5,663.61	Due 114.09
Head Tax Commission				559.65	
Souhegan National Bank					
Short Term Note		10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
School District of Amherst					
1962-1963 Bal.	20,936.32		20,936.32	20,936.32	
1963-1964 App.	236,041.33		236,041.33	192,041.33	Due 44,000.00
Interest & Dividend		18,727.37			
Savings Bank Stock		1,367.31			
Forest Reimbursement		1.66			
Filing Fees		56.00			
Motor Vehicle Permits		20,546.06			
Current Revenues & Expended		60,996.39		374,195.37	
Received Tax Collector		320,829.62			
Total Receipts		381,826.01			
Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1963		8,408.06			
Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1964				16,038.70	
TOTAL		\$390,234.07		\$390,234.07	

## COMPARATIVE SUMMARY STATEMENT

### Summary: Inventory, Appropriations and Tax Rate

	1963	No.	1962	No.
Land and Buildings	\$4,279,878		\$3,856,328	
House Trailers, etc.	42,000	40	26,100	30
Factory Buildings	25,000		7,650	
Electric Plants	115,400		105,300	
Stock in Trade	31,320		31,150	
Horses	50	1	200	4
Cows	24,280	607	22,560	564
Other Neat Stock			2,080	52
Sheep	60	12	160	32
Hogs	210	30		
Fowl	2,655	11950	3,122	13715
Gasoline Pumps	1,875		1,875	
Portable Mills	1,600			
Wood, Lumber, etc.	30,290		28,630	
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Totals	\$4,557,478		\$4,085,155	
Veterans Exemptions	220,850	222	217,850	219
Net Taxable Property	4,336,628		3,867,305	
Tax Rate per \$100		\$7.20	\$7.30	
School Rate		5.41	5.58	
Town Rate		1.26	1.17	
County Rate		.53	.55	
Precinct Rate		.31	.36	

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED AND TAX RATE

Town Officers Salaries and Art. 8	\$ 3,375 00
Town Officers Expenses	3,500 00
Elections and Registration	250 00
Municipal Court	200 00
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	2,500 00
Social Security	500 00
Police Department	2,500 00
Fire Department	8,105 00
Tree Care	2,000 00
Insurance	3,370 00

Planning Board (Art. 17)	200 00
Damages and Legal Expenses	250 00
Civil Defense	1,000 00
Health Department	50 00
Vital Statistics	80 00
Oiling	9,800 00
Dump	600 00
Summer Maintenance	8,500 00
Winter Maintenance	14,000 00
Street Lighting	2,600 00
General Highway Expense	800 00
Town Road Aid	1,275 53
Libraries	3,259 71
Old Age Assistance	4,500 00
Town Poor	2,500 00
Soldiers Aid	500 00
Memorial Day	200 00
Parks and Playgrounds	700 00
Cemeteries	1,600 00
Comm. Center	1,950 00
Auto Permits	900 00
Article 7	1,000 00
Hydrant rentals	1,550 00
Souhegan Nursing	400 00
Payment on Debt	10,450 00
Interest	950 00
Article 9 Rust Control	150 00
Article 12 Common	500 00
Article 15 Truell Rd.	1,200 00
Article 16 Signs	300 00
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Total Town Appropriations	\$98,065 24

**Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:**

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$18,609 58
Savings Bank Tax	1,367 31
Reimbursement School District	700 00

Yield Tax Sources	500 00
Business Permits	100 00
Dog Licenses	850 00
Motor Vehicle Permits	18,000 00
Rent of Town Property	175 00
Income from Trust Funds	800 00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	30 00
Municipal Court Fines	200 00
National Bank Stock	70 00
Poll Taxes	2,022 00
Bounties	19 00
Social Security	250 00
Fisk Fund	83 07
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Total Credits	\$43,775 96
Net Town Appropriations	\$54,289 28
Net School Appropriations	236,041 33
Net County Tax	23,021 89
	-----
Total Town School and County Taxes	\$313,352 50
Add: Overlay	691 11
	-----
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes	\$314,043 61
Rate:	
Town	1.26
County	.53
School District	5.41
Precinct	.31
Total Town Rate	7.20
<b>Taxes Committed to Collector:</b>	
Property Tax	\$314,189 68
Precinct Tax	3,805 47
Poll Tax	2,022 00
National Bank Stock Taxes	120 40
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	\$320,137 55



## BALANCE SHEET

### ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$16,038 70
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Grader Fund, \$6450.50 & \$751.39 int.	7,201 89
Fire Truck Fund, \$1,000 & \$215.86 int.	1,215 86
Cemetery Fund, \$1904 and \$66.85 int.	1,970 85
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1962	2,825 96
Levy of 1961	1,137 90
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1963	41,899 91
Levy of 1962	10 00
Previous Years	152 99
State Head Taxes — Levy of 1963	1,455 00
State Head Taxes — Previous Years	25 00
	-----
Total Assets	\$79,934 06
Net Surplus, Dec. 31, 1962	\$12,414 95
Net Surplus, Dec. 31, 1963	16,618 03
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Increase of Surplus	\$ 4,203 08

### LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Art. 17 of 1963	\$ 200 00
Due to State:	
(a) State Head Taxes — 1963	
(Uncollected \$1455) (Collected —	
not remitted to State Treas. \$100)	1,555 00
(b) Yield Tax — (Uncollected \$143.93)	
(Collected — not remitted to State	
Treas. \$14)	157 93
Due to School Districts:	
Balance of Appropriation	44,000 00

Due Trustees of Trust Funds	14 50
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Fire Truck Fund	7,201 89
Grader Fund	1,215 86
Cemetery Fund	1,970 85
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Bridge Note	3,000 00
Fire Truck and Barn Note	4,000 00
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Total Liabilities	\$63,316 03
Excess of Assets over Liabilities (Surplus)	16,618 03
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Grand Total	\$79,934 06

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

### RECEIPTS

#### Current Revenue:

##### From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes — 1963	\$270,284 15
Poll Taxes — 1963	1,538 00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes — 1963	120 40
Yield Taxes — 1963	63 60
State Head Taxes @ \$5 — 1963	5,080 00
Total Current Year's Taxes	
collected and remitted	----- \$277,086 15
Property Taxes and Yield	
Taxes — previous years	38,783 94
Poll Taxes — previous years	350 00
State Head Taxes @ \$5 — previous years	1,185 00
Interest received on Taxes	1,001 48
Penalties on State Head Taxes	121 92
Tax sales redeemed	2,301 13

##### From State:

Interest and dividends tax	18,727 37
Savings Bank Tax and Building	

and Loan Association Tax	1,367 31
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	1 66
Reimbursement a/c Head Tax costs	75 86
Fighting forest fires	264 13
Rust Control refund	3 00

From County:

Fisk Fund	83 07
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From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Bike tags	22 00
Dog licenses and care	1,005 70
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	56 00
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	800 00
Rent of town property	771 18
Summer maintenance	503 07
Winter maintenance	865 43
Parks and playgrounds	23 29
Oiling	1,225 72
Social Security	374 90
Motor vehicle permits	20,546 06

**Receipts Other than Current Revenue:**

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during the year	10,000 00
Perpetual care	1,200 00
Trustees of Trust Funds	2,054 30
Sale of lots (Cemetery)	87 00
Annual care	292 50
Burials and cemetery credit	584 00
Insurance refund	18 65
Hot Lunch Program, telephone	21 19
Credit Memorial Day	23 00

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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$381,826 01
Cash on hand January 1, 1963	8,408 06

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Grand Total	\$390,234 07
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## PAYMENTS

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,375 00
Town officers' expenses	3,330 64
Election & registration expenses	191 12
Municipal court expenses	200 00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	2,809 51

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	2,570 99
Communication Center	1,950 00
Fire dept., including forest fires	10,926 04
Moth extermination—blister rust and care of trees	1,951 00
Insurance	4,185 27
Civil Defense	1,024 20
Bounties	1 00

#### Health:

Souhegan Nursing	400 00
Health department	26 00
Vital statistics	55 00
Oiling	10,595 92
Town dumps & garbage removal	676 77

#### Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	1,275 53
Town Maintenance (summer— \$9082.63) (winter—\$19,745.48)	28,828 11
Street lighting	2,520 42
General exp. of Highway Dept.	1,149 36

#### Libraries:

Libraries	3,259 71
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Public Welfare:		
Old age assistance	6,087	50
Town poor	2,036	67
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Veteran's		
Associations	193	00
Aid to soldiers and their families	77	25
Recreation:		
Parks and playgrounds	672	16
Public Service Enterprises:		
Auto permits	1,009	50
Cemeteries	3,654	30
Unclassified:		
Damages and legal expenses	505	95
Zoning	98	80
Taxes bought by town	3,516	74
Discounts, abatements & refunds	161	45
Employees' Retirement and		
Social Security	907	64
Total Current Maint. Exp.	-----	\$100,222 55
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in		
anticipation of taxes	\$118	76
Paid on long term notes	442	32
Total Interest Payments	-----	561 08
Outlay for New Construction,		
Equipment & Perm. Improvements:		
Highways & bridges—Art. 7	\$1,008	93
Hydrant rental	1,550	00
Art. 9 — Blister Rust	150	00
Art. 12 — Common	499	32
Art. 15 — Truell Road	1,196	28
Art. 16 — Signs	309	94
Head Tax Commission	559	65
Total Outlay Payments	-----	5,274 12

Indebtedness:	
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$10,000 00
Payments on long term notes	10,450 00
Payments to trustees of trust funds (New Funds)	2,219 00
Total Indebtedness Payments	----- 22,669 00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
State Head taxes paid State Treas. (1963 taxes \$4,572) (prior years \$1091.61)	\$ 5,663 61
Taxes paid to County	23,021 89
Payments to Precincts	3,805 47
Payments to School Districts (1962 Tax \$20,936.32) (1963 Tax \$192,041.33)	212,977 65
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	----- 245,468 62
Total Payments for All Purposes	\$374,195 37
Cash on hand December 31, 1963	16,038 70
Grand Total	----- \$390,234 07

## STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

Town of Amherst  
December 31, 1963

Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding  
Bonds and Long Term Notes

	Bridge Notes Original Amount	Barn and Fire Truck Original Amount	
	\$24,535.58	\$18,900.00	
Maturities			
1964	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$7,000.
Total	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$7,000.

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall	\$ 80,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000 00
Libraries	50,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	7,000 00
Police Equipment	1,000 00
Fire Department	12,000 00
Equipment	29,000 00
Highway Department	12,000 00
Equipment	18,000 00
Parks	5,000 00
School Land and Buildings	256,000 00
Equipment	50,000 00
Dump	100 00
All Land and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds:	
Proctor Lot	125 00
Winslow Lot	15 00
Goodwin Building	300 00
Chandler Lot	50 00
Gelinas Lot, 5 acres	100 00
Melendy Lot, 3 acres	25 00
White Building and land	300 00
	-----
Total	\$524,015 00

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

67 (1962) Auto Permits	\$ 382 01
1938 (1963) Auto Permits	20,164 05

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Total	\$20,546 06

### Dog Account

44 Female Dogs	\$ 220 00
345 Male or spayed dogs	690 00
13 Part year license	11 55
Fines	10 00
10 Kennels	141 00
4 1962 delinquent taxes	6 35

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Total	\$1,078 90
Less: Fees paid to Town Clerk	83 20

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Total paid to Town	\$ 995 70

Notice to owners or keepers of dogs — Chapter 466:1

Every owner or keeper of a dog THREE MONTHS old or over shall annually on or before the 30th of April, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of May, in the office of the clerk of the town wherein said dog is kept, and shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with the registered number.

Male or spayed dogs \$2.00 Female dogs \$5.00.

50c penalty if not paid before July 1st.

Please report lost tags to Town Clerk, they will be replaced free.

CATHERINE A. KRUGER,  
Town Clerk.



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

LEVY OF 1963

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$317,995 15	
Poll Taxes	2,022 00	
National Bank Stock Tax	120 40	
	-----	\$320,137 55

Yield Taxes		793 64
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Overpayments (Refunded by Selectmen)		38 61
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Added Taxes:

Property	\$ 14 20	
Poll	30 00	
Special Truell Rd. Assessment	337 50	
	-----	381 70

Interest Collected		51 01
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Total Debits		<u>\$321,402 51</u>
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$270,284 15	
Poll Taxes	1,538 00	
National Bank Stock Tax	120 40	
Yield Taxes	63 60	
Interest Collected	51 01	
	-----	\$272,057 16

Discounts Allowed		83 67
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Abatements:

Property Taxes	\$1,300 33	
Poll Taxes	42 00	
Yield	19 44	
	-----	1,361 77

Uncollected as per list	
Property	\$46,717 31
Poll	472 00
Yield	710 60
	----- \$ 47,899 91
	-----
Total Credits	\$321,402 51

I hereby certify that the lists showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer as of December 31, 1963 is correct to the best of my knowledge.

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

#### LEVY OF 1962

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes January 1, 1963	
Property	\$38,980 21
Poll	400 00
Yield	20 40
	----- \$ 39,400 61
Added Property — Mann	\$14 30
Added Poll	16 00
	----- 30 30
Interest Collected	850 31
	-----
Total Debits	\$ 40,281 22

Cr.

Remitted to Treasurer:	
Property	\$38,763 54
Poll	350 00
Yield	20 40
Interest Collected	850 31
	----- \$ 39,984 25
Abatements Made:	
Property	\$230 97

Poll	56 00	
	-----	286 97
Uncollected as per list:		
Poll Taxes		10 00
		-----
Total Credits		\$ 40,281 22
Uncollected Poll Taxes:		
Donald Holt, Helen Holt, Emery Tetrault, Mrs.		
Emery Tetrault and Theresa Sliney.		

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT

#### State Head Tax

#### LEVY OF 1963

Dr.

State Head Taxes Committed:		
Original Warrant	\$6,575 00	
Added Taxes	80 00	
Total	-----	6,655 00
Penalties Collected		10 00
		-----
Total Debits		\$6,665 00
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$5,080 00	
Penalties	10 00	
	-----	\$5,090 00
Abatements		120 00
Uncollected as as per list		1,455 00
		-----
Total Credits		\$6,665 00

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT

#### State Head Tax

#### LEVY OF 1962

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1963	\$1,305 90
Added Taxes 1963	45 00

Penalties Collected 1963	111 92	-----	
Total Debits			\$1,462 82
	Cr.		
Remittances to Treasurer:	\$1,165 00		
Penalties	111 92		
	-----		\$1,276 92
Abatements:			160 90
Uncollected			25 00
		-----	
Total Credits			\$1,462 82
Uncollected:			
Donald Holt, Helen Holt, Emery Tetrault, Mrs. Emery Tetrault and Theresa Sliney.			

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT State Head Taxes

#### PRIOR YEARS

Added 1963:			
Albert and Constance Pixley	1961		
Albert and Constance Pixley	1960		\$20 00
	Cr.		
Remitted to Treasurer:			\$20 00

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT Yield Taxes

#### PRIOR YEARS

Uncollected January 1, 1963:			
Arnold Heath	\$ 4 26		
Norvel Harding	148 73		
	-----		\$152 99
Uncollected:			
Arnold Heath	\$ 4 26		
Norvel Harding	148 73		
	-----		\$152 99

# **Summary of Tax Sales Accounts as of December 31, 1963**

Dr.			
Tax Sale of Account of Levies of			
	1962	1961	1960
Taxes Sold Town 1963	\$3516.74		
Bal. Unredeemed Jan. 1, 1963		\$2577.62	\$404.88
Interest Collected	6.09	77.90	16.17
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	\$3522.83	\$2655.52	\$421.05
Cr.			
Remittances to Treasurer 1963	\$ 634.39	\$1320.62	\$346.12
Interest Remitted	6.09	77.90	16.17
Abatements Made	7.52	66.17	7.09
Deeded to Town During Year	48.87	52.93	51.67
Unredeemed Taxes Dec. 31, 1963	2825.96	1137.90	
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	\$3522.83	\$2655.52	\$421.05

## **UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF:**

	1962	1961
James McCreary	\$ 887.41	
Roger Claret	202.70	
William Haverty	304.51	
David Sliney	.77	
Mamie White	63.89	
Frank Gaidmore	1.55	
Langlois Heirs	11.29	
Marcel Demers	124.06	\$ 103.55
Donald Dunklee	18.73	17.57
Roland Levesque	48.87	58.94
Michael Sulfaro	116.55	
Kenneth Wheeler	570.67	475.13
Faith French	380.97	360.72
Horace Thomas	93.99	86.58
Clifford Wells		1.91
Everette McAfee		26.50
Henry Curtis		7.00
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	\$2825.96	\$1137.90

# **TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT** **For Year Ending December 31, 1963**

Cash on hand January 1, 1963		\$ 8,408 06
Received from:		
Barbara H. Landry, Tax Collector		320,829 62
Catherine A. Kruger, Town Clerk:		
Auto Permits		20,546 06
Dog Licenses		995 70
Gifts – Perpetual Care:		
Edward Schmitz, 1/2 lot	\$ 100 00	
Susie Setzer, 1/2 lot	100 00	
Athearn Estate, additional perpetual care	1000 00	
	-----	1,200 00
Richard G. Crocker:		
Sale Cemetery Lots	\$ 87 00	
Annual Care	292 50	
Credit Cemetery Account	7 00	
	-----	386 50
Credit Memorial Day		23 00
Burials, credit Cemetery Trustees of Trust Funds		577 00
Municipal Court Fines		800 00
Selectmen:		
Pistol Permits	\$18 00	
Junk Yard Permit (2)	30 00	
	-----	48 00
Town Hall Rentals:		
Teachers' Association	\$ 10 00	
Auction	20 00	
Amherst Assemblies	30 00	
Souhegan Grange	75 00	
School Hot Lunch	636 18	
	-----	771 18
Town Officers' Filing Fees		8 00
Charles Evans, transporting and caring for dog		10 00

Social Security withholding, Library and Road	374 90
Barbara H. Landry, Insurance Refund	18 65
Police Department, Bike Tags	22 00
Souhegan Bank, note in anticipation of taxes	10,000 00
Credit Fire Department:	
N. H. Fire Insurance	\$ 18 00
Forest Fire	9 00
Boston & Maine Fire	119 60
Forest Fires	117 53
	----- 264 13
State of New Hampshire:	
Head Tax Reimbursement	\$ 75 86
Forest Land	1 66
Savings Bank 1962 and 1963	1,367 31
Interest and Dividends	18,727 37
Rust Control Refund	3 00
	----- 20,175 20
Road Department:	
Summer Maintenance	\$ 503 07
Winter Maintenance and Fisk Highway	948 50
Parks and Playgrounds	23 29
Oiling	1,225 72
	----- 2,700 58
Trustees of Trust Funds, Cr.	
Cemetery account	2,054 30
Hot Lunch Program, telephone	21 19
	-----
Total Receipts	\$381,826 01
On hand January 1, 1963	8,408 06
	-----
Total	\$390,234 07
Less Selectmen's orders paid	374,195 37
	-----
Balance December 31, 1963	\$ 16,038 70

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Town Officers' Salaries

Article 8                      \$ 300.00

Appropriation                3075.00

#### Expended:

Dewey Smith, Selectman                \$ 500 00

Hermon Anderson, Selectman            500 00

Francis Whaland, Selectman            500 00

Catherine Kruger, Town Clerk        200 00

Catherine Kruger, Treasurer          500 00

Barbara Landry, Collector            1,000 00

David Ramsay, Trustee of  
Trust Funds                                75 00

Orson Bragdon, Auditor                50 00

Howard Husmer, Auditor               50 00

----- \$3,375 00

### Town Officers' Expenses

Appropriation \$3500.00

#### Expended:

Printing                                \$1,371 77

Dues                                    101 04

Fees Register of Deeds                137 50

Supplies                                250 27

Postage                                483 69

Meeting Expenses                    97 60

Mileage                                245 00

Repairs                                12 70

Secretarial Help                    500 00

Miscellaneous                        131 07

----- \$3,330 64

### Election and Registration

Appropriation \$250.00

#### Expended:

Printing                                \$47 45

Supplies                                1 17

Phyllis Hill, Supervisor               30 00



Harold Wilkins, Sr., Supervisor	30 00	
Beatrice Montgomery, Supervisor	25 00	
Ballot Clerks	35 00	
Town Meeting Expenses	22 50	
	-----	\$191 12

**Municipal Court**  
Appropriation \$200.00

Expended:		
Charles J. Lincoln	\$100 00	
William Vose	100 00	
	-----	\$200 00

**Town Hall Expenses**  
Appropriation \$2500.00

Expended:		
Kendall Gas	\$148 75	
Amherst Village District	37 50	
New England Telephone	197 90	
Public Service	382 99	
Charles Reynolds	780 36	
Draper Fuel	507 91	
Kenneth Durant	42 00	
Supplies	15 85	
Repairs and Painting	696 25	
	-----	\$2,809 51

**Social Security**  
Appropriation \$500.00

Expended:		
Catherine Kruger	\$100 00	
State Treasurer	807 64	
	-----	\$907 64

**Police Department**  
Appropriation \$2500.00

Expended:	
Hibbert Miles	\$417 15

Meric Arnold	29 25	
Frank Parker	70 03	
Howard French	414 63	
Harold Aldrich	108 63	
Albert Junkins	819 34	
Arthur Merrill	32 25	
Supplies	133 31	
Radio Equipment	443 11	
Miscellaneous Duty	72 11	
Bike Tags	31 18	
	-----	\$2,570 99

**Fire Department**  
Appropriation \$8,105.00

Expended:		
Salaries	\$1,255 00	
Fire Bills	2,822 36	
Utilities	715 29	
Fire Alarm	803 84	
Gas and Repairs	557 89	
Hose	750 00	
Water Holes	625 95	
Snow Removal	45 00	
Supplies	1,248 32	
Special Projects	1,102 39	
Reserve Fund	1,000 00	
	-----	\$10,926 04

**Care of Trees**  
Appropriation \$2,000.00

Expended:		
Tree Care	\$1,429 00	
Tree Removal	254 00	
Feeding	118 00	
Spray	150 00	
	-----	\$1,951 00

### **Bounties**

Expended:		
Hermon Anderson	\$ 50	
Grant Conley	50	
	-----	\$1 00

### **Insurance**

Appropriation \$3,370.00

Expended:		
Barbara Landry		\$4,086 80

### **Civil Defense**

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Expended:		
Benner Electric	\$102 00	
Philip Parker	265 00	
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	107 20	
Cohen Machine	550 00	
	-----	\$1,024 20

### **Health Department**

Appropriation \$50.00

Expended:		
Dr. Oscar Burns		\$26 00

### **Vital Statistics**

Appropriation \$80.00

Expended:		
Catherine Kruger		\$55 00

### **Oiling**

Appropriation \$9,800.00

Maurice Young	\$1,200 00	
Oliver Merrill	25 72	
	-----	
	\$11,025 72	
Expended:		
Labor	\$2,814 80	
Hired Equipment	1,892 90	
Materials	5,888 22	
	-----	\$10,595 92

### Dumps

Appropriation \$600.00

Expended:

Labor	\$253 45	
Hired Equipment and Gravel	423 32	
	-----	\$676 77

### Winter Maintenance

Appropriation \$14,000 00

Mont Vernon	\$517 50
State of N. H.	300 00
Edward Larner Sr.	96 00
Amherst Village District	35 00
	-----
	\$14,948 50

Expended:

Labor	\$4,586 01	
Hired Equipment	7,851 89	
Material and Repairs	7,307 58	
	-----	\$19,745 48

### Summer Maintenance

Appropriation \$8,500 00

Fiske Fund	\$ 83 07
Maurice Young	101 25
Guy Nelson	15 00
Mont Vernon	240 00
William Knight	33 75
	-----
	\$9,002 07

Expended:

Labor	\$4,624 63	
Hired Equipment	2,646 20	
Materials, Supplies, Repairs	1,811 80	
	-----	\$9,082 63

### Street Lighting

Appropriation \$2,600.00

Expended:

Public Service of New Hampshire	\$2,520 42
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### **General Expenses of the Highways**

Appropriation \$800.00

Expended:

Utilities	\$579 72	
Chain Saw	202 40	
Tools, signs, supplies	467 74	
	-----	\$1,149 36

### **Town Road Aid**

Appropriation \$1,275.53

Expended:

State of New Hampshire		\$1,275 53
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### **Libraries**

Appropriation \$3,259.71

Expended:

Amherst Town Library		\$3,259 71
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### **Town Poor**

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Expended:

\$2,036 67

### **Old Age Assistance**

Appropriation \$4,500.00

Expended:

State of New Hampshire		\$6,087 50
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### **Memorial Day**

Appropriation \$200.00

Expended:

Woodman Florist	\$ 23 00	
Ferdinando's Band	170 00	
	-----	\$193 00

### **Soldiers' Aid**

Appropriation \$500.00

Expended:

\$77 25

### Parks and Playgrounds

Appropriation	\$700 00	
Oliver Merrill	23 89	
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	\$723 89	
Expended:		
Labor	\$628 96	
Hired Equipment and Repairs	43 20	
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		\$672 16

### Auto Permits

Appropriation \$900.00

Expended:		
Catherine Kruger		\$1,009 50

### Cemeteries

Appropriation	\$1,600 00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	2,054 30	
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	\$3,654 30	
Expended:		
Labor	\$1,892 13	
Repairs and Supplies	649 57	
Hired Equipment and Tree Trimming	1,112 60	
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		\$3,654 30

### Damages and Legal Expenses

Appropriation \$250.00

Expended:		
Hermion Anderson	\$ 7 50	
Frank Whaland	7 50	
Dewey Smith	22 50	
Dog Care	12 00	
Dog Destroyed	16 00	
Stock Paid For	76 25	
Charles J. Lincoln	286 15	
Miscellaneous	8 62	

Printing	43 50	
Dog Tags	25 93	
	-----	\$505 95

#### **Communication Center**

Appropriation \$1,950.00

Expended:

Town of Milford	\$1,950 00
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#### **Taxes Bought by the Town**

Expended:

Barbara H. Landry, Collector	\$3,516 74
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#### **Discounts, Abatements and Refunds**

Expended:

J. Alfred Conrad	\$69 84	
Albert Thibault	53 00	
Robert Prew	34 53	
Commercial Credit	4 08	
	-----	\$161 45

#### **Interest - Short Term**

Appropriation \$350.00

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	\$118 76
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#### **Interest - Long Term**

Appropriation \$600.00

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	\$309 84
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#### **Hydrant Rentals**

Appropriation \$1,550.00

Expended:

Amherst Village District	\$1,430 00	
Town of Milford	120 00	
	-----	\$1,550 00

#### **Souhegan Nursing**

Appropriation \$400.00

Expended:

Souhegan Nursing	\$400 00
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**Trustees of the Trust Funds**

Expended:  
David Ramsay, Trustee \$2,219 00

**Head Tax Payments**

Expended: \$559 65

**Short Term Notes**

Expended:  
Souhegan National Bank \$10,000 00

**Long Term Notes**

Appropriation \$10,450.00

Souhegan National Bank:  
Bridge Note \$3,000 00  
Barn and Fire Truck 7,450 00  
----- \$10,450 00

**State and County Taxes**

Expended:  
State of New Hampshire \$ 5,663 61  
Hillsborough County 23,021 89  
----- \$28,685 50

**Amherst Village District**

Appropriation \$3,805.47

Expended:  
Amherst Village District \$3,805 47

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

Expended:  
Cabinet Press \$75 00  
Nashua Telegraph 23 80  
----- \$98 80

**Article 7 - Road Improvement**

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Expended:  
Labor \$213 33  
Hired Equipment 795 60  
----- \$1,008 93



**Article 9 - Blister Rust**

Appropriation \$150.00

Expended:

State of New Hampshire \$150 00

**Article 12 - Village Common**

Appropriation \$500.00

Expended:

Oliver Merrill \$499 32

**Article 15 - Truell Road**

Appropriation \$1,200.00

Expended:

Labor \$282 08

Hired Equipment and Gravel 914 20

----- \$1,196 28

**Article 16 - Signs**

Appropriation \$300.00

Expended:

H. G. Arnold \$205 48

N. H. Pole and Wood 26 61

Municipal Services 77 85

----- \$309 94

**Article 7 - Planning Board**

Appropriation \$200.00

Expended:

00 00

**School District of Amherst**

Appropriation \$236,041 33

Balance 1962 20,936 32

----- \$256,977 65

Expended:

School District of Amherst

1962 Bal. \$ 20,936 32

School District of Amherst

On acc't 1963 192,041 33

----- \$212,977 65

Balance Due on 1963 Appropriation \$44,000.00

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

The following is a summarized report of this Department's activities during the past year.

1. Winter Maintenance, \$19,745.48. Again your highway department experienced an average winter season during 1963. During the winter months the highway department is busy plowing snow, winging back snow with the grader, and carrying on salt and sand operations. The number of roads receiving salt is increasing as the demand requires it. Special attention is given school bus routes and the area where children are required to walk in the road to school. Three 60 ton car loads of salt were purchased in 1963 at a savings of \$2,100.00 over our old method (bag salt) used with our other town barn.

Our other main project in the winter is brush and tree trimming throughout the town. Heavy concentrations of brush are more economically taken care of in the winter because it is possible to burn the brush where it is cut eliminating costly hauling to dump areas.

A new blade plow was purchased for the grader with monies earned from grader rental; the cost - \$895.00.

A breakdown of Winter Maintenance expense is: labor, 12 men, 1 foreman \$4,586.01; hired equipment, 9 trucks, 5 tractors, 1 loader \$7,851.89; salt, sand, supplies, repairs, 1 new snow plow \$7,307.58.

2. Summer Maintenance \$9,003.07. This program includes grading and York raking 40 gravel roads several times, cutting banks and ditches, spot graveling, replacing culverts, setting posts and signs. Also included in the program is the maintenance of shoulders, etc. on all our black roads and the cutting of brush on all roads.

Gravel was applied to 9 areas in town during the

spring because of mud problems and later in the year these areas were covered again; the largest amount going to the School House Road (350 yds.). Five new culverts were installed and one repaired during the summer. Brush was cut by machine on about 30 miles of road and hand cut with chain saw in eight different areas.

3. Oiling \$10,595.92. Under this program approximately 12 miles of road were surface treated and about two miles of road received a heavy spray patch coat before being re-oiled at a cost of \$7,967.23. Included in this part of the project was the oiling of Woodland Drive which was paid for in full by the developer. Also included is the patching of all black roads (40 miles) and sweeping of roads to be re-oiled at a cost of \$2,628.69. A program of applying crank-case oil to gravel roads where dust is a problem has also been accomplished under this account. It is hoped this can continue.

4. T.R.A. Under this project money was spent for a sealer coat on the following roads: Brook Road, Mack Hill Road, North Street, Cricket Cor. Road, Old Milford Road, Austin Road and Court House Road. A new four year program was started and money spent on Lyndeborough Road, Veterans' Road, Dodge Road, and Mack Hill Road. The Brook Road, and Souhegan Ave. are to come under this program, but as yet land easements have not been acquired. Cost in 1963 for this work was \$9,800.00.

Article 7. The money for this article was spent cutting banks on the Christian Hill Road at the corner of Eaton Road, the corner by Frank Martin's and a corner at the foot of Chestnut Hill. Cost of this work \$1,008.93.

Article 15. Money for this was spent to widen out and apply 1,114 yds. of gravel to Truell Road.

7. Dumps. Money for this department was spent

to close the Baboosic Lake Dump (cost \$250.00) and to maintain the town dump. It is hoped we can better care for this area now that we have consolidated.

8. Cemeteries. Money for this account was spent to maintain the four cemeteries; Meadow View, the old Cemetery by the the Town Hall, Cricket Corner Cemetery and Chestnut Hill Cemetery. Some of the projects accomplished this year other than the regular maintenance of all cemeteries were: 1. rebuilding and painting the fence around the Cricket Corner Cemetery and the installation of a new hand water pump. 2. the straightening and resetting in concrete bases of about 50 head stones at the Chestnut Hill Cemetery. 3. in Meadowview all large trees were trimmed by Bartlett Tree Men and three removed. Spot grading and the rebuilding of several lots was also done. There were seventeen burials and two entombments in 1963 all in Meadowview Cemetery.

Again we were able to rent the grader at various times during the year. The purchase of two tires, payment for repairs, and the purchase of a new snow plow were accomplished with these funds in 1963. To date there has been \$6,500.00 added to the grader fund for future replacement of the present machine.

Respectfully submitted,  
RICHARD G. CROCKER,  
Highway Agent.

### REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF

Arrests including motor vehicle violations	10
Stolen Property	7
Warnings, including D.E. tags, juvenile, returning children home	119
Complaints of various nature, disturbances, prowlers, breaking and entering, etc.	131

Traffic duty Lake area, Sundays and Holidays, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Halloween	362 hours
Fire duty	34 hours
Emergency messages delivered	3
Motor vehicle accidents	24
Dances and record hops at Baboosic Lake	24
Aid to other departments, including inquiries from U.S. Government Services	28
Complaints such as stray dogs, dogs disposed of by police, S.P.C.A. or Animal Rescue League, dog damage, dog bite, dogs chasing deer or cattle	37
Suicide	1
Abandoned cars	6
Returned property	2
N.H. Safety Dept. meeting attended by chief	1
Loose cattle and horses	2
Bad check	2
Mail box damage	3
Investigations of complaints, accidents	209 hours
Drowning	1
Emergency trip to doctor's office	1
Juvenile court cases held	4
Deer hit by motor vehicle	3
Shooting accident	1
Street lights reported out	17

Communications Center Police Calls and Assistance  
January 1, 1963 through December 31, 1963

	No. of calls		No. of calls
Radio, police & fire	1001	Aid rendered	550
Telephone	546	Information	49
Accidents	32	Fires: Residence	12
Complaints	68	Brush	15
Mutual Aid	7	Car	2
Drowning	1	Business	3

Grand total of transactions 2310 calls

This department has had a busy year, having been called on for assistance of various types during 1963 and rendering aid to our neighbors in adjoining towns by assisting on traffic duty at several fires. Our department would like to express their appreciation for the assistance and fine cooperation received in 1963, to all members of the State Police serving our area, to Chief Rockwell and members of the Milford Police Department, also to the faithful operators at the Milford Communications Center, which has been most appreciated on numerous occasions.

The work load is increasing at the Center, as can be seen by comparing the calls made in 1963 against those in 1962 for its past year of operation.

Our traffic load continues to increase each year, and it is hoped that the Amherst-Milford by-pass will be in operation before 1969, as was outlined to us at the public meeting held in the Amherst Town Hall by Mr. Whittaker of the New Hampshire Public Works Department.

Baboosic Lake has continued to have record crowds on weekends, enjoying the recreational facilities, also during the summer vacation period.

One mobile 2-way set was purchased and installed in one of the officer's cars, replacing the one that became obsolete by F.C.C. regulations. It is planned to secure two more sets this year which will give our Department a total of four mobile sets and a base station located at the Fire Station.

I would like again to thank the Selectmen and all members of the Amherst Police Department for their cooperation and help in keeping Amherst free from any highway fatality during 1963, and it is my sincere hope that the users of our highways will make 1964 a safer year by being careful and courteous.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT H. JUNKINS,

Police Chief.

## AMHERST FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The following is a brief summarized report of the department's activities and expenditures during the past year.

1. Salaries — 40 men at \$25.00 year. This is payment for men attending 12 regular meetings and at least 12 practice sessions by engine companies. 1 Fire Chief at \$100.00., 2 Assistants at \$15.00 each and 1 Janitor at \$177.00.

2. Fires. Your department responded to 85 alarms during 1963 as compared to 51 in 1962.

Types of calls were:

Car fires	4
Chimney	5
Defective wiring	1
Grass and brush	17
Incinerator	2
Dump	22
House	3
Flooded oil burners	2
Accidents	2
Mutual Aid	15
(Out of Town)	
Mutual Aid called in	9
Miscellaneous	12
(brush piles, smoke checking, slab piles, overheated furnace, etc.)	

Engine 1 responded to 49 fires

Engine 2 responded to 49 fires

Engine 3 responded to 60 fires

The total cost of fires was \$2,822.36.

3. The department purchased 500 feet of 2½ inch hose and 150 feet of 1 inch booster line at a cost of \$750.00.

4. Water Holes. 1. The water hole on Route 122 by the Ponemah Hill Road was dug out and refenced. 2. The water hole on the Austin Road in Noble's pasture was dug out. 3. The water hole above Albees' on the Christian Hill Road was dug out and refenced. 4. The water hole at the corner of Green Road and Mont Vernon Road was dug out and fenced. A new water hole was dug on the New Boston Road on the Knight property at no cost to the town. Total cost of the water hole program was \$625.95.

5. Supplies and Equipment. Under this program were purchased miscellaneous items such as tools, hand lights, helmets, boots, coats, three nozzles, foam and foam generator, canvas covers for hose beds, two beacon ray lights and supplies for the fire station. The total cost of this program came to \$1,248.32.

6. Special Projects. The main item under this department was the changeover of all radio equipment to conform with the regulations set by the Federal Communication Commission. A new radio room was built and radios serving the Fire, Police and Forestry Departments were set up in the area to make these operations more efficient. The cost of this project was \$1,102.39.

7. Fire Alarm. In addition to regular maintenance of the fire alarm system it was necessary to replace the compressor and old tanks that have been in use for many years. Also the piping to the horns in the tower was replaced and a new horn added to increase the range of the alarm.

The Department has taken an active part in the Souhegan Valley Mutual Aid Program and finds it of



tremendous value to our town. It is possible for Amherst to call for assistance from 17 towns at no cost.

In conjunction with our radio room a card file and property map has been established to facilitate the prompt location of fires. We want to stress the importance of giving the correct property owner's name and street name when reporting a fire.

In closing this report we would like to express our thanks to the officers and members of the three engine companies for the time and effort put forth to accomplish the work of the department. We would also like to acknowledge the many hours Forrest "Pete" Peterson gave in the construction and operation of our radio room.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHARLES DUVAL, Chief

CARL MERRILL,  
First Assistant

RICHARD CROCKER,  
Second Assistant

### **Report of the Forest Fire Warden and Your District Chief**

During the past year New Hampshire faced the greatest forest fire threat to its woodlands in more than sixty years. The continued drought brought home to our citizens, as never before, the potential threat of destructive fires to their beautiful and valuable forests, homes and livelihood. In true American tradition of meeting a common threat by volunteer effort, this fire danger was minimized by active prevention, patrol and a relinquishing of personnel rights for the common

good. It was the greatest demonstration of public cooperation ever experienced by those responsible for local and state fire control. The ready forces of volunteer fire services kept the losses low. For their effort and public response the general fire service expresses its heartfelt thanks for a job well done.

Prevention however, is not just an activity for the bad fire years. It must be practiced until it becomes a part of our public conscience — a habit. Just plain carelessness with fire causes too many of our fires.

The following practices and suggestions will help:

1. Always have a permit for outdoor burning and burn within the terms of the permit and in a safe place. Burn late in the afternoon when the wind is down or on rainy or damp days. Check your fire and if winds develop extinguish it promptly.

2. Carry your rubbish to the public dump — it's safer. A neglected backyard incinerator causes many fires.

3. Never discard lighted cigarette or match. Make this a year round habit regardless of the safety of your surroundings.

4. Children caused fires are now a major concern. Keep matches away from them and teach them to respect fire and not make it a subject of play.

Let's all join with "Smokey the Bear" and "Keep New Hampshire Green" and growing in 1964.

Number of fires and burned area in 1963:

	Fires	Area-Acres
State	873	2117
District	223	138¼
Town	17	5½

CHARLES DUVAL, Warden

WINTHROP H. HANNAFORD,  
District Chief

## REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES – 1963

Major expenses in 1963:

Area in front of vault hard surfaced.

Three large trees were removed and all trees in cemeteries were trimmed.

Sixty monuments were reset on concrete bases in Chestnut Hill Cemetery.

Fence at Cricket Corner Cemetery was rebuilt and repainted.

Fifteen lots were rebuilt with markers and posts reset level with ground.

Metal racks were installed in vault.

Lots sold: 2.

Major project for 1964:

Clear new section and have it filled to proper level. Plant evergreen shrub fence to screen back and along side of road, to make this section look satisfactory.

Special cemetery fund was increased \$746.54 to \$1,970.85.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. CONTI,  
DEWEY W. SMITH,  
CLARENCE H. HAGAR,  
Cemetery Trustees

# STATEMENT OF COMMON TRUST FUND PRINCIPAL AND UNEXPENDED INCOME

As at December 31, 1963

## PRINCIPAL

<b>Assets:</b>	
Uninvested cash	\$ 66 92
<b>Investments:</b>	
Mutual funds (\$59,602.67 at market value)	\$34,451 90
Savings banks	68,052 66
	----- 102,504 56
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$102,571 48</b>

## Fund principal balances:

Library	\$15,347 72
Highway	2,115 80
School	15,339 59
Cemetery	69,768 37
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>----- \$102,571 48</b>

## UNEXPENDED INCOME

<b>Assets:</b>	
Cash in checking account	\$ 2,095 91
<b>Investments:</b>	
Mutual fund (\$5,232.81 at market value)	\$2,435 82
Savings bank	7,551 66
	----- 9,987 48
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$12,083 39</b>

## Balance of unexpended income:

Library Fund	\$ 669 56
Highway Fund	96 10
School Fund	696 74
Cemetery Fund	10,620 99
<b>Total Unexpended Income</b>	<b>----- \$12,083 39</b>

Statement of Common Trust Fund Principal and Unexpended Income states in summary form that which appears in detail in the Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Amherst and in the Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments of the Town of Amherst. The Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Amherst also contains a statement of Separately Invested Funds.

The market value of Common Trust Fund Investments increased in the amount of ten thousand five hundred eleven dollars and forty-six cents (\$10,511.46) during 1963. This is an increase of 19.35% which is accounted for, primarily because security prices generally advanced and also because of the Trustees policy of reinvesting capital gain distributions.

The average yield on Common Trust Fund Investments was 4.57% based on invested cost at the beginning of the year. Of this the mutual fund investments yielded 4.87% and savings bank accounts yielded 4.43%.

At the year end Common Trust Fund Investments at market values were invested 46% in equity securities and 54% in savings bank deposits.

The balances of Unexpended Income of all funds, except the Cemetery Funds, were distributed during January 1964 in accordance with the respective designated purposes. These sums were equal to the 1963 investment income. The Unexpended Income of the Cemetery Funds will be used during 1964, to the extent required, for the maintenance of the town cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. CONTI,  
CHESTER B. McGRATH,  
DAVID T. RAMSAY,

Trustees of Trust Funds.

# Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Amherst, N. H., on December 31, 1963

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INCOME					
				Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gain Dividends	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income Percent	During Year Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
	<i>Common Trust Fund</i>											
1927	Emma L. Clark	Library	Common Trust	\$ 696.19		\$ 9.07	\$ 705.26	\$ 28.22	00.638	\$ 32.03	\$ 28.22	\$ 32.03
1945	James Day	Library	Common Trust	8,354.34		108.88	8,463.22	338.67	07.662	384.40	338.67	384.40
1923	Fannie Parsons French	Library	Common Trust	1,392.40		18.15	1,410.55	56.44	01.277	64.07	56.44	64.07
1928	George W. George	Library	Common Trust	696.19		9.07	705.26	28.22	00.638	32.03	28.22	32.03
1902	Edmund M. Parker	Library	Common Trust	1,392.39		18.15	1,410.54	55.93	01.277	64.07	55.93	64.07
1957	Anna H. Mosher	Library	Common Trust	2,626.56		26.33	2,652.89	82.81	01.853	92.96	82.81	92.96
1942	David E. Fiske	Highway	Common Trust	2,088.58		27.22	2,115.80	83.07	01.915	96.10	83.07	96.10
1867	Aaron Lawrence	School	Common Trust	2,088.58		27.22	2,115.80	84.67	01.915	96.10	84.67	96.10
1867	Sarah L. Lawrence	School	Common Trust	696.19		9.07	705.26	28.22	00.638	32.03	28.22	32.03
1876	Isaac Spalding	School	Common Trust	12,357.47		161.06	12,518.53	500.97	11.333	568.61	500.97	568.61
1932	George W. Putnam	Cemetery	Common Trust	1,392.40		18.15	1,410.55	128.68	01.424	71.45	29.38	170.75
1938	Alice M. Wilkins	Cemetery	Common Trust	2,784.76		36.28	2,821.04	84.34	02.649	132.92	19.21	198.02
Various	Perpetual care	Cemetery	Common Trust	64,732.87		803.91	65,536.78	8,942.24	66.781	3,350.66	2,040.68	10,252.22
	TOTAL COMMON	TRUST FUNDS		\$101,298.92		\$1,272.56	\$102,571.48	\$10,442.48	100.00	\$5,017.43	\$3,376.52	\$12,083.39
<i>Separately Invested Funds</i>												
1962	Perpetual care	Cemetery	Bank Deposit	1,700.00	\$1,200.00		2,900.00	2.92	100.00	47.63		50.55
Various	Town of Amherst	Fire Truck	Bank Deposit	900.00	1,000.00		1,900.00	207.43	100.00	8.43		215.86
Various	Town of Amherst	Grader	Bank Deposit	6,450.00	.50		6,450.50	452.84	100.00	299.05		751.39
Various	Town of Amherst	Cemetery	Bank Deposit	1,210.00	694.00		1,904.00	14.31	100.00	52.54		66.85
TOTAL SEPARATELY INVESTED TRUST FUNDS				9,360.00	2,894.50		12,254.50	677.00		407.65		1,084.65
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS				\$110,658.92	\$2,894.50	\$1,272.56	\$114,825.98	\$11,119.48		\$5,425.08	\$3,376.52	\$13,168.04

# Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments of the Town of Amherst, N. H., on Dec. 31, 1963

No. of Shares or Other Units	HOW INVESTED Description of Investment	PRINCIPAL			INCOME	
		Balance Beginning Year	Purchase	Capital Gains	Balance End Year	Income During Year
835 Shares	PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS					
1207 Shares	Broad Street Investors Trust	\$ 8,135.06		\$ 225.76	\$ 8,360.82	\$ 369.90
530 Shares	Chemical Fund, Inc.	4,850.64		399.61	5,250.25	229.13
809 Shares	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	3,897.62		219.60	4,117.22	227.90
1154 Shares	National Investors Trust	6,241.59		203.58	6,445.17	250.84
	Puritan Fund, Inc.	10,091.88		186.56	10,278.44	469.50
	Amoskeag Savings Bank	4,060.62			4,060.62	176.76
	Amoskeag Savings Bank	22,774.75			22,774.75	991.35
	Manchester Federal Savings and Loan Association	9,797.59			9,797.59	433.30
	Manchester Savings Bank	9,794.94			9,794.94	452.16
	Manchester Savings Bank	9,897.42			9,897.42	456.88
	Manchester Savings Bank	1,727.34			1,727.34	79.72
	Manchester Savings Bank	10,000.00			10,000.00	435.34
	Southeagan National Bank — checking account	29.47		37.45	66.92	
	TOTAL PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS	\$101,298.92		\$1,272.56	\$102,571.48	\$4,492.78
303 Shares	INCOME INVESTMENTS					
	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	2,304.06	\$ 131.76		2,435.82	262.59
	Manchester Savings Bank	6,096.76	1,192.84		7,289.60	262.06
	TOTAL INCOME INVESTMENTS	8,400.82	1,324.60		9,725.42	524.65
	TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS	\$109,699.74	\$1,324.60	\$1,272.56	\$112,296.90	\$5,017.43

## TREE COMMITTEE REPORT

During 1963, the program of spraying, pruning and removal of village trees was continued, together with the planting of new trees and shrubs. Losses from Dutch Elm disease within the village were relatively light compared to previous years. But this does not signify that the disease is abating or that the spraying program may be relaxed. Indeed some 35 trees on private property throughout the town were reported as diseased – an indirect testimony to the benefits of spraying to preserve our large old elms.

Young maples and oaks, together with flowering shrubs and evergreens were set out at several locations. This portion of the program is now starting to reap a reward as previous plantings begin to cast a shade or beautify the commons with their lovely flowers. The prolonged drought last Fall was hard on these new plantings, but it is felt that only a few will have to be replaced.

All residents are again urged to replace trees lost from storm or disease, and to start other new ones. Their growth is a source of personal satisfaction as well as a dividend in beauty and increased property value.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SEAMANS,  
CREELEY S. BUCHANAN,  
F. TENNEY CLOUGH,  
Chairman

January 12, 1964



## AMHERST TREE COMMITTEE

### BUDGET — 1964

<i>Spraying</i>	\$425.00
A. Dormant Spray — April Elm Trees in Village	
B. Cover Spray — May Elm Trees in Village and Ponemah	
<i>Planting</i> — 15 - 20 Young Trees in Village Includes preparing ground, stock, mulching, and watering	450.00
<i>General Tree Work</i> — All Town Trees and Trees bordering streets in Village — pruning, limited selective feeding	450.00
<i>Tree Removal</i> — Cutting, removing and dis- posing of Village Elm Trees with Dutch Elm Disease and dead Maples. Removing cut-down diseased elm trees on private property.	675.00
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	\$2,000.00

January 14, 1964

## REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIAL

With all the talk of the "growth of Amherst" it is only natural that this report should show an increase in the processing of permit requests. A total of 130 applications were received and processed, broken down as follows:

1. New Private Housing	56
2. Additions or Alterations	20
3. Parking Garages	12
4. Trailers	8
5. Signs	11
6. Utility Out Buildings	8
7. Non-Residential Structures	9
8. Miscellaneous	6

Of these it was necessary to deny 16 requests as not allowed by the provisions of the zoning ordinance.

Since a monthly report is requested to be filed with the Bureau of Census, each applicant is requested to file an estimated building cost of each project. It is interesting to note the following figures representing estimated costs:

New Housing	\$903,650
Addition and Alteration	60,750
Non-Residential	76,050
Garages	11,075

No attempt is made to record the number of requests that are made to explain or attempt to interpret the ordinance or the calls made for infractions which is a necessary part of this position. I have to thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding in making this a workable ordinance which can ultimately only make Amherst a better town in which to live.

CHARLES KENNEDY

## **REPORT OF BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

The Board of Adjustment held 15 Public Hearings on appeals for special exceptions and variances.

Decisions were as follows:

- 12 Granted
- 2 Compromise plans granted
- 1 Denied
- 1 Variance granted under the old ordinance.

Hearings were held as required by the Zoning Ordinance.

Recommendations as to revisions of the Zoning Ordinance have been submitted to the Planning Board in an effort to expedite the procedure of the Zoning Board.

## **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

### **REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Raymond Busceme: Permit granted to bake bakery products, under new ordinance.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hall: Variance granted to divide lot of land.

Herbert W. Wenzel: Permit granted to build addition to pavilion. Variance.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Holmes: 5 year extension of present permit. Granted.

Mr. Charles Nute: Variance granted to build porch on home located lakeside district.

Mrs. Cecilia Monson: Exception granted to convert restaurant to professional offices.

Lloyd and Grace Snow: Permit granted (variance) to build a tool shed.

Andre Cadorette: Variance granted to expand existing 28 mobile home units to a total of 40 units.

Harold and Bertha Copp: Variance granted to build a garage.

Fred Vatcher: Variance granted to locate mobile home, with restrictions.

Moulton & Sons, Inc.: Granted continuation of a non-conforming use, with no external display of merchandise.

Nashua Airport Authority: Application granted to erect a radio beacon on property, Stearns and Veterans Road.

Alfred and Violette Hamelin: Application does not meet with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance. Variance is denied.

Robert H. Carrier: Special exception is granted as a permitted use to construct a nine-hole golf course and clubhouse building.

Horace Greeley Restaurant: Special exception granted to build a 16 x 22 foot addition to be an entrance foyer. Application for special exception to build a 40 foot by 60 foot addition to be used as a cocktail lounge was denied as this is not a permitted use by special exception in the rural district.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

In compliance with New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (202:10 and 202:11) we give our annual report of the trustees:

Financial Report — The report of our Treasurer is appended hereto.

Buildings and Grounds — New fluorescent light fixtures were installed in the balance of the rooms on the first floor of the library; also in the three book alleys on the second floor of the library.

The wooden floors on the first floor of the library were refinished.

Loam and fertilizer were purchased to cover and improve the library lawn so that it could be seeded (on the street side).

Shrubs for this section of the lawn were purchased through money raised by the coffee get-together at the home of Mrs. Allen Carlsmith.

Book slot has been installed in the front door of the library and has proven to be successful.

New receiving desk and high swivel chair were purchased and book cart refinished for the librarian.

Library fence — in need of repair and repainting. Nothing was done on this as the Library Trustees felt it was too expensive. It was felt by the Library Trustees that the Town should approve or reject this project.

Gifts and Bequests — The Library Trustees acknowledge with thanks a further gift of \$500 from Mrs. Frederick W. Mosher.

The Trustees of the Amherst Town Library wish at this time to express their thanks to Mrs. Walter D. Carr for repairing and refinishing the wall clock inside the library building.

A Book Selection Committee was appointed within the past year. They have done a wonderful job

in suggesting books to the Library Trustees for purchase. The Library Trustees express their thanks to them for doing such a grand job.

There will be six members on this committee. Two members are to retire each year. New appointments are to be made by the Library Trustees each year in June.

The Book Selection Committee is as follows:

One year — Mr. Leonard Hall  
Mrs. Creeley Buchanan

Two years — Mrs. Arthur Foote  
Mrs. Richard Morse

Three years — Mrs. James Montgomery  
Mrs. Charles Ware

The Trustees of the Amherst Town Library wish to thank the many friends of the library who donated their time for cataloguing books, typing reports, and who assisted in the children's group.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH G. HALL, Chairman  
BENJAMIN G. BUNDY  
DOROTHY CARLSMITH  
HOWARD L. HUSMER  
HARRIET MITIGUY  
HAROLD E. MORRIS, Secretary

## AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

### Librarian's Report

1963 has been a most successful and progressive year. We have continued our rate of expansion with the circulation increasing from 16,987 in 1962 to 18,412 this past year and we feel that we have managed to

keep up with our fast growing town. We are gradually improving our library with the addition of a book slot, new lights, and in the near future we hope to have a new charging desk in the main room to greet you as you enter. We hope that in 1964 you will see new and better equipment to enable the children to study more comfortably and with more efficiency.

Book circulation figures for the year are as follows:

Adult fiction	5500	Juvenile fiction	7148
Adult non-fiction	1937	Juvenile non-fiction	2641
Magazines	1186		----
	----		9789
	8623		

Grand Total 18,412

Books added to our collection during the year total 375. Of these, 115 adult fiction, 91 adult non-fiction, 100 juvenile fiction and 69 juvenile non-fiction. We subscribe to 24 magazines. The magazine list has been revised this year and it is hoped that people will find them more useful and more enjoyable to read.

A sincere thank-you to the following people for their gifts of money, books and magazines:

Mrs. Frederick W. Mosher, Mrs. Creeley S. Buchanan, Mrs. Elizabeth N. Bean, Mr. Henry Merrill, Charles Sandford, Mrs. Charles Ware, Mrs. Marion Wilcox, Mrs. Jean Chase, Mrs. Donald Grant, Mary Mitiguy, Mrs. Carl Graesser, Mrs. Robert Seamans, Martha Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Holmes, a book in memory of Ernest "Sam" Warren.

I wish to thank all those who have volunteered their services to the librarians in helping us with our many duties.

This report would not be complete without the mention of the book selection committee which was formed several months ago. Their helpfulness in making suggestions for purchase of new books has been

greatly appreciated and I hope that this new venture will continue.

May I take this opportunity to thank the trustees for the cooperation they have given to me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARION U. NELSON

## AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

### General Account

#### RECEIPTS

January 1, 1963, cash on hand	\$ 27
Appropriation	3,259 71
Trust Funds	590 29
Gifts, fines, sales of books	264 10
	-----
	\$4,114 37

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Books	\$1,158 33
Magazines	130 32
Librarians' salaries	1,444 14
Janitor's salary	174 90
Buildings and grounds	637 30
Lights	91 36
Fuel	402 44
Supplies	36 70
December 31, 1963, cash on hand	38 88
	-----
	\$4,114 37

### Mary B. Upham Fund

#### RECEIPTS

January 1, 1963, cash on hand	\$588 43
Bank interest	23 24
	-----
	\$611 67



# DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements	NIL
December 31, 1963, cash on hand	\$611 67

## Fannie E. Weston Fund

# RECEIPTS

January 1, 1963, cash on hand	\$156 55
Bank interest	9 64
	-----
	\$166 19

# DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements	NIL
December 31, 1963, cash on hand	\$166 19

## Amherst Town Library Mosher Fund

January 1, 1963:	
Gift from Mrs. Frederick W. Mosher	\$500 00
Bank interest	15 15
	-----
	\$515 15

# DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements	NIL
December 31, 1963, cash on hand	\$515 15

HAROLD E. MORRIS,  
Treasurer.

## AMHERST MUNICIPAL COURT

### Receipts

Balance on hand December 31, 1962	\$ 164 29
Fines and fees collected 1963	2,123 00
	-----
	\$2,287 29

### Expenditures

Department of Safety	\$1,024 46
Witness Fees	172 22
Court Expenses	68 94
Entry Fee Superior Court	2 50
Town of Amherst	800 00
Balance on hand December 31, 1963	219 17
	-----
	\$2,287 29

WILLIAM C. VOSE,  
Clerk

## AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the accounts of the following Town Officers: Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, Treasurer of Library, Clerk of Police Court, and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,  
HOWARD L. HUSMER,  
Town Auditors

## REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

Your Planning Board has worked on two distinct types of community problems since the last Town Meeting. One involved developing needed amendments to the new zoning ordinance. The other — preliminary study of some of the community's longer-range problems.

The zoning ordinance passed at the 1963 Town Meeting has already demonstrated its effectiveness as a tool in shaping community development along the lines desired by a majority of the citizens. None the less, experience in administering the ordinance has uncovered sections that need revision. Several articles in this year's town warrant are aimed at accomplishing these revisions. Other needed changes are currently under study.

Amherst faces many other problems requiring careful study. Among these are: (1) the need for community recreational facilities; (2) regulation of subdivisions, and (3) the possibility of expanding the tax base through planned industrial development. Preliminary work has only begun on these problems, but we expect to devote a major portion of our time to them during 1964.

MERIC G. ARNOLD  
ROBERT H. CURRIER  
ROBERT S. HALL  
PAUL L. LEVESQUE  
HARRY R. MITIGUY  
RICHARD A. SMITH  
DEWEY W. SMITH

## ROAD COMMISSION REPORT

The Road Commission has carefully considered each item of the budget preparation for the Highway Department before its presentation to other committees and groups.

We feel it represents, as much as possible, a "hold the line" cost of operation.

Our Winter Maintenance costs represent the only area that a continued trend of increase prevails. This is brought about however, by the severity of recent winters, the added roads being serviced and the greater services that have been demanded on the Highway Department. Savings enjoyed on the purchase of salt, now permitted by the storage area of the Town Barn, have greatly helped in keeping this figure to its present level.

Comparison of other budget items is most revealing and interesting.

Parks and Playgrounds expense has been kept to the same figure for many years despite added areas in the town which are now presently maintained.

The creation of a new Dump area and the commencement of a program of clearing and enlarging same to minimize fire hazard is being handled within the same budget request as previously asked.

Increases in Summer Maintenance and Oiling figures represent only the minimum costs resulting from more area being serviced. A total of eleven new streets have been added within the past three-year period.

Several savings have been effected by the ability to perform general repairs, preparation of horses and sundry other department items within the facilities afforded by the new Town Barn.

The need of an additional piece of town equipment was considered and explored with no recommendation of same at this present time.

Proposed road programs tentatively scheduled for this year were effectively carried out.

In the 1961 Report, we pointed out that many meetings were held by this group with builders, contractors, developers and the Selectmen. We reviewed road specification requirements for the acceptance of new roads. We considered the economic effect the Town might experience if a surge in building and development should take place.

The activity along these lines, that has ensued since then has exceeded most everyone's anticipation.

Maintenance, alone, of these added roads and streets will increase the needs of the Highway Budget.

We therefore urge the passage of Article No. 20 in reference to this problem.

FRED VATCHER,  
RUFUS BROWN,  
GEORGE HAMMOND, JR.,  
Chairman

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

In preparing this report, we find ourselves at the point where we must look back over the past year at our accomplishments and ahead to the future in the light of what has taken place.

Since one of our primary responsibilities to the people of Amherst is equitable assessment of the Town for tax purposes, many hours were spent in reassessing the homes which have not changed hands in the past several years. All tax assessment information has been incorporated in a wholly new system of cards made possible by the recent purchase of the addressograph, making the beginnings of an efficient tax record of all property in town. To properly round out the reassessment program, we feel that it is essential to obtain a tax map. This will enable us to locate and define every single parcel of land within the town. Without such a map the task of equalizing land assessment is insurmountable.

With our great increase in dwellings, roads and numbers of residents our Town services have become, and will continue to become, more and more expensive. It is readily apparent that if this increased cost of doing business is to fall on the shoulders of the homeowner our tax rate will become prohibitive. With this possibility in mind, we have concerned ourselves with the broadening of the Town's tax base and have spent considerable time attempting to attract non-dwelling tax income.

Accordingly when the opportunity presented itself through contacts of our Town Counsel to have an industrial park located in Amherst, we seized upon it. We have spent much time in discussion with these people and a preliminary agreement has been negotiated which will result in building of substantial tax-

able industrial property. We sincerely hope that this will have your approval and support.

The past year has seen Amherst suffer a marked increase in cases falling under Old Age Assistance and Town Poor. Thanks to the time and energy expended in thorough investigation by one of our members as Overseer of the Poor, in many instances, considerable money has been saved. However, it is well to note that many of our older citizens are ineligible for sufficient Social Security benefits and that the trend towards more Old Age Assistance to these people will undoubtedly continue in the immediate future.

We are sure you will note with approval our continuing program of upkeep of the Town Hall. With the exception of the Selectmen's Room, the entire first floor was repainted. It is apparent that the flooring in the downstairs hallway needs immediate attention and we are also at the end of the allowable time for the fire-proofing of the stage curtains. Both these projects are to be undertaken early this year along with some needed additional painting. We are aware of the poor condition of the window curtains throughout the building which have been up over ten years. We hope to have sufficient funds this year to undertake at least partial replacement.

We would be remiss in closing if we did not mention our appreciation for the cooperation we have had from the heads of the Town Departments, most particularly the Town Clerk and the Tax Collector who, as our secretary, keeps the detail work done so efficiently. It has been an interesting and most productive year for us and we hope for the Town.

We note with regret that Harold Aldrich is leaving the service of the Town of Amherst. He has been a member of the Police Department for 15 years and will be missed by the townspeople.

## AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT WARRANT

### The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the  
County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified  
to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall  
in said Amherst on Friday the 13th of March next, at  
eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the follow-  
ing subjects:

1. To choose all necessary District Officers for the  
ensuing year.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be neces-  
sary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and  
make appropriations of the same.
3. To transact any other business which may le-  
gally come before said meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 17th day of  
February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred  
and sixty-four.

RUFUS I. BROWN,  
CREELEY S. BUCHANAN,  
ERIK BROWN,  
Commissioners of the Amherst Village District

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

RUFUS I. BROWN,  
CREELEY S. BUCHANAN,  
ERIK BROWN,  
Commissioners of the Amherst Village District  
RANDOLPH KRUGER, Clerk



## AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT

Your Commissioners are pleased to report that the District is now providing water to 182 users.

Repayment of another \$6,000.00 in principal has reduced the District indebtedness to \$89,000.00. Adequate reserves are being built up to provide for regular painting of the Standpipe and other major maintenance.

Our special thanks to Admiral William C. Vose for his faithfulness in taking samples of water to Concord for tests.

RUFUS I. BROWN,  
CREELEY S. BUCHANAN,  
ERIK BROWN,  
Commissioners

## AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1963

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1963	\$	4,973	35
Accounts Receivable, including			
December 31st bills		3,713	20
Total Current Assets	-----	\$	8,686 55
Water System:			
Land and Buildings	\$	679	60
Wells, Pump, Mains, etc.		150,252	71
	-----	\$150,932	31
			-----
		\$159,618	86

### Liabilities

Bonds Payable	\$	89,000	00
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		70,618	86
	-----	\$159,618	86

RANDOLPH KRUGER,  
Treasurer

## AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT BUDGET

**Estimates of receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year  
January 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964**

compared to

**Estimated and actual receipts and expenditures of the previous  
year January 1, 1963 to December 31, 1963**

### RECEIPTS

	Estimated 1963	Received 1963	Estimated 1964
Cash on hand January 1, 1963	\$ 621.04	\$ 621.04	\$ 584.78
Reserve	4,223.93	4,223.93	4,388.57
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Total	\$ 4,844.97	\$ 4,844.97	\$ 4,973.35
Income water service prior year (4th quarter)	\$ 3,159.53	\$ 3,159.53	\$3,713.20
Income water service current year (1st 3 quarters)	3,600.00	3,788.36	3,500.00
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Total income water service	\$ 6,759.53	\$ 6,947.89	\$ 7,213.20
Hydrant Rental	\$ 1,430.00	\$ 1,430.00	\$ 1,430.00
Precinct Tax	3,805.47	3,805.47	*3,751.80
Other Receipts	160.00	247.19	165.00
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Total Receipts	\$16,999.97	\$17,275.52	\$17,533.35

### EXPENDITURES

Bonds called and cancelled	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Interest	2,070.00	2,070.00	1,935.00
Superintendent's Salary	600.00	600.00	600.00
Assist. Superintendent's Salary	100.00	300.00	300.00
Tax Collector	75.00	75.00	75.00
Accounting	200.00	200.00	200.00
Meters and Repairs	400.00	415.51	600.00
Electricity	1,300.00	1,037.14	1,300.00
Operating, Supplies, Maintenance	700.00	1,297.41	1,200.00
Service Connections	100.00	64.00	100.00
Office Supplies	300.00	119.44	100.00
Insurance	150.00	123.67	150.00
Other Receipts	160.00		

Cash on hand	621.04	584.78	584.78
Reserve	4,223.93	4,388.57	4,388.57
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Total Expenditures	\$16,999.97	\$17,275.52	\$17,533.35

\* To be raised by taxes 1964 assessed against property within the Village District.

## AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,  
HOWARD L. HUSMER,  
Town Auditors

## SYNOPSIS OF AMHERST TOWN MEETING March 12, 1963

Acting under The Warrant for Town Meeting, polls opened at 1:00 P. M. by the Moderator, A. M. Wight, Jr.

Election of officers: A. M. Wight, Jr., Moderator; Catherine A. Kruger, Town Clerk; Supervisors of the checklists, Harold H. Wilkins, Phyllis Hill and Beatrice Montgomery; ballot clerks, Lillian Anderson and Dorothy Husmer; assistants to the voters, Allen D. Howard and Randolph Kruger.

Business meeting was called at 8:00 P. M. Mention was made of posting of Warrant at Town Hall, Post Office, Moulton store, as well as Claire's and So. Merrimack General Store.

Invocation by Mr. Harold H. Wilkins, Sr.; also a moment of silent prayer in memory of Rae Comerford, who passed away March 28th, 1962.

Acting under Article 1 of the Town Warrant, the following officers were elected: Francis E. Whaland, Selectman for three years; Catherine A. Kruger, Town Clerk and Treasurer; Barbara H. Landry, Tax Collector; Richard G. Crocker, Road Agent; Orson H. Bragdon and Howard L. Husmer, Auditors; Albert H. Junkins, Constable; Chester B. McGrath, Trustee of Trust Funds for three years; Harriet S. Mitiguy and Harold W. Morris, Library Trustees for three years; Howard F. Russell, Board of Adjustment, five years; and Richard H. Thurston, Board of Adjustment for four years.

Acting under Article 2 as printed on the ballot: "To repeal the Amherst Zoning Ordinance enacted March 12, 1946, as amended, and to adopt the Town of Amherst Zoning Ordinance of 1963." — 252 voted "Yes," 200 voted "No," and there were 13 void votes.

Article 3 — It was moved and voted to authorize the selectmen and treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, if necessary, as provided by law of 1907.

Article 4 — It was moved and voted to allow a discount of 1½% on the 1963 property taxes if paid in accordance with this article as printed.

Article 5 — It was moved and voted that no money be raised to purchase advertising in the Merrimack Valley Region Guide.

Article 6 — It was moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$94,415.24 with the exclusion of several items to be acted upon separately in the Warrant.

Article 7 — Moved and voted to raise the sum of \$1,000. to continue the plan started in 1948 for road improvement.

Article 8 — Moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300., increase in Town Treasurer's salary.

Article 9 — Moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150. to defray the town's share in the White Pine Blister Rust Control.

Article 10 — Moved and voted to abolish the office of Constable as an elective officer and allow selectmen to appoint the Constable to operate under their direction.

Article 11 — Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate \$8,000. for the purpose of having State Tax Commission reassess the Town. This motion was defeated by showing of hands, 92 persons voting "Yes," 114 voting "No."

Article 12 — Moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. to start the rehabilitation of the Village Common as recommended by the Tree Committee.

Article 13 — Moved and voted to give Selectmen authority to sell a certain piece of land across from Cricket Corner Cemetery.

Article 14 — On recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee the following roads were accepted as Town Roads:

Woodland Drive by Maurice Young  
Pinewood Drive by Robert Currier  
Beaver Brook Circle by Joseph Eaton  
Town Crier Road by Arnold Schumacher  
Cricket Hill Drive by Turner and Schumacher

Moved by Mr. F. Tenney Clough and it was voted to put into the

record that all roads covered by this article are accepted only insofar as they have been presently developed.

Article 15 — Mr. Dewey Smith, selectman, read a resolution and agreement with persons living on Truell Road. Moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200. to be repaid by special assessment against abutting property owners on Truell Road and when expended to bring Truell Road up to minimum specifications for town roads.

Article 16 — Moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300., for continuing a program of purchasing and having erected suitable street name signs, and commenced by passage of Article 19, Town Meeting, March 13, 1962.

Article 17 — Moved and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200. for expenses incurred by the Planning Board in the performance of its duties, which expenses shall include the printing of the Revised Zoning Ordinance, if adopted, together with the reproduction of the zoning map.

Article 18 — Moved and voted that the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee be accepted, "More study by a committee of three appointed by the Moderator and that a report be made at the next annual Town Meeting." Mrs. Cynthia Lathrop explained that this article was put into the Warrant at the request of the School Board.

Article 19 — Under New Business, Judge Charles Lincoln moved that the town vote to authorize the fire wards and fire chief to take two pieces of apparatus out of town in response to requests for assistance in fire emergencies from other towns and to authorize the fire wards and fire chief to request and accept assistance from the fire departments of other towns under mutual aid system. Mr. Louis Heaton suggested that each town should hold the other towns harmless.

Mr. Hermon Anderson spoke of the sorrow of the Selectmen over the death of Mr. Rae Comerford, also of the appreciation of the help given by Mr. Rufus Brown over the past year and asked for a rising vote of thanks.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the Ways and Means Committee for time and effort given to the town.

Mrs. Dorothy Davis asked that the Selectmen arrange a hearing for the Public before Town Meeting, at about the time the Warrant is being prepared.

Meeting adjourned 11:05 P. M.

At the close of the meeting newly-elected officers took their oath of office.

CATHERINE A. KRUGER, Town Clerk

## Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H. For the Year Ending December 31, 1963

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Bride and Groom</i>	<i>Name and Station of Person Officiating</i>
<i>Correction</i> June 30 1962	Isaac C. Hall	Rev. Harold C. Bonell
Milford	Beverly M. Ruonala	Minister
Aug. 12, 1962	Joseph Anderson	Rev. Victor Abram
New York	Alouette Abram	Minister
1963		
Jan. 11, Brattleboro,	Herbert E. White	Rev. Robert J. Harding
Vermont	Nancy Dawson	Minister
Jan. 26 Amherst	Gerald Alonzo Lavalette	Rev. L. Paul Trudinger
	Joyce Elaine Plant	Minister
Feb. 7, Hudson	Donald Everett Comire, Jr.	Alphonse J. Roudinis
	Peggy Kathleen Hartshorn	Justice of the Peace
Feb. 16, Amherst	Edward P. Pariseau Jr.	Catherine A. Kruger
	Marcia E. Grant	Justice of the Peace
Apr. 13, Amherst	Robert S. Morris	Rev. L. Paul Trudinger
	Patricia Ann Stewart	Minister
Apr. 16, Amherst	George A. Roby	Catherine A. Kruger
	Joyce D. Stevens	Justice of the Peace
May 18, Milford	Leon James Frye	Rev. William A. Dolan
	Nancy May Chandler	Priest
May 25, Manchester	John Frederick Hanlon	Rev. Gabriel R. Houle
	Vivian Jane Perreault	Priest
May 25, Milford	Joseph Michael Nestor	Rev. John H. Bryson
	Bonnie Lee Kilton	Priest
May 28, China	Raymond Conrad Daudier	
	Sue-Yuan Chang	Republic of China
June 8, Milford	Lawrence Grant Jasper	Rev. Bruce Van blair
	Elizabeth Edwards Carter	Minister
June 11, Amherst	Thomas Joseph Sheehan	Catherine A. Kruger
	Gunnel Margaretha Oksen	Justice of the Peace
June 15, Milford	Wayne Richard Peters	Rev. Harold Holder
	Lois A. Loeke	Priest, Episcopal Church
June 18, Amherst	John D. Marcelina	Catherine A. Kruger
	Mary Ann Demers	Justice of the Peace
June 28, Milford	Thomas Woodbury Hall	Rev. Harold Holder
	Jean Vonlderstine	Priest, Episcopal Church
July 26, Scituate,	John Henry Jakubens, Jr.	Rev. Samuel Young
Mass.	Marcia Elizabeth Houck	Minister
July 27, Nashua	Amedee Robert Ricard	Rev. Odore Gendron
	Linda Jane Nevens	Priest
Aug. 2, Amherst	Lewis John Fulgoni	Rev. E. David Willis
	Judith Phyllis Keane	Minister
Aug. 23 Amherst	Paul Francis Rattery	Catherine A. Kruger
	Joyce Emily Doughty	Justice of the Peace
Aug. 24, Amherst	William Edward Lowe	Catherine A. Kruger
	Shirley Lou Smith	Justice of the Peace
Aug. 24, Rye	Robert Charles Cutter	Rev. E. David Willis
	Linda Ann Merrill	Minister
Aug. 31, Milford	Robert Kingsbury Grasset	Rev. Francis M. Clifford
	Lillian Agnes Roberts	Priest
Aug. 31, Amherst	Douglas Rankin Johnston	Rev. E. David Willis
	Carlene Ann Merrill	Minister
Sept. 2, Barnstable,	Roy Louis Spring, Jr.	Rev. John T. Higgins
Mass.	Shirley Marie Lewis	Priest
Sept. 15, Milford	Forrest Herbert Wright	Rev. George B. Higgins
	Elizabeth Jean Taborne	Minister
Oct. 5, Milford	Charles B. Wetherbee	Rev. Charles A. Gaines
	Linda Lee Dreyer	Minister
Oct. 18, Milford	William Arthur Creech, Jr.	Rev. Harold Holder
	Nancy Bradford Wight	Priest, Episcopal Church
Oct. 19, York, Pa.	John Edwards Allen, Jr.	Rev. J. Raymond Brubaker
	Sara Ruth Hutchinson	Minister
Oct. 25, Littleton	Richard S. Lavender	Mack M. Mussman
	Sandra D. Mack	Justice of the Peace
Nov. 16, Amherst	John Philip Russell	Catherine A. Kruger
	Joan Lee Watson	Justice of the Peace
Dec. 28, Greenfield,	Douglas T. Gleason	Rev. William Donald
Mass.	Barbara Ellen Schaff	Campbell

# Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H. For the Year Ending December 31, 1963

Date and Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 3, Nashua	Kevin James	Raymond Jean-Baptiste Dionne	Pauline E. Claveau
Jan. 5, Nashua	James Michael	John Mulvey Wiswell	Judith Eileen Frye
Jan. 8, Nashua	Ginger Lee	Charles Parkman Bryant	Vertie Mary Tuttle
Jan. 11, Nashua	John Robert, Jr.	John Robert Wilson	Barbara Lois Thorn
Jan. 16, Manchester	Timothy Alan	Everett Alley Leach	Mary Veronica Syrek
Jan. 23, Nashua	Harry Bennett III	Harry Bennett Carter, Jr.	June Priscilla Young
Jan. 29, Nashua	Mary Katherine	Francis Joseph Mercier	Jeanne Lucille Dupont
Feb. 5, Manchester	Georgia Ann	George Franklin Witbeck	Margaret Lee Morris
Mar. 7, Nashua	Kelly Lee	Joseph York Covell	Ruth Edna Summers
Mar. 13, Manchester	Pamelo Jo	Robert Kenneth Frank	Irene May Ayers
Mar. 16, Manchester	Susan Lorraine	Robert Kent Bickford	Rosetta Irene Rash
Mar. 28, Nashua	Jeffrey William	Rodney Downer Bowes	Rena Rae Anderson
Mar. 29, Nashua	John Timothy	Luther P. McPherson, Jr.	June Faye Doney
Mar. 30, Manchester	Jeffrey Scott	John Henry Ludgate	Judith Lynn Freese
Apr. 8, Nashua	Cathy Anne	David Allen Stevens	Nancy Florence Marchand
Apr. 10, Nashua	Jodi Resa	Gerald Ervin Stevens	Judith Louise Poor
Apr. 11, Nashua	Lori Ann	Anthony Richard Frontiero	Nancy Faith Fournier
Apr. 30, Nashua	Clinton John, Jr.	Clinton John Holt	Waneta Ann Kennett
May 2, Nashua	Mark Daniel Albert	Daniel Jerimiah Donovan	Erica Elizabeth Trautman
May 3, Manchester	Craig Shepard	Donald Craig Hutchinson	Carolyn Charlene Rayfield
May 10, Newton, Mass.	Amy Jean	Lawrence V. Collins	Judith Paton
May 17, Nashua	Cassandra Ann	Isaac Charles Hall	Beverly Marie Ruonala
May 17, Nashua	Gregory Robert	Charles Quimby Hall	Elaine Lenia Pearson
May 31, Nashua	Jon Claude	James Lomar Walker	Pauline Evelyn Bly
July 4, Nashua	Todd Keith	Claude LaVon Johnston	Doreen Christine McLaughlin
July 16, Nashua	Todd Alan	Ernest John Harris	Evelyn Edna Noyes
July 30, Manchester	Peter Eric	Robert Orson Bragdon	June Eleanor Erickson
Aug. 6, Nashua	Kaye Renee	Wilfred Albert Davis	Lois Margaret Kazmark
Aug. 9, Nashua	Jean-Guy Pierre, Jr.	Jean-Guy Pierre Theberge	Lyette Marguerite Crepeau
Aug. 10, Nashua	Kaari Gwynne	Robert Arthur Ward	Mimi Gail Steady
Aug. 14, Nashua	Thomas Hamilton	Nicholas Dugan Skeer	Penelope Grace Dunbar
Aug. 20, Nashua	Gary Lee	Lionel William Vallier, Jr.	Nancy Beatrice Clough
Aug. 25, Nashua	Carol Ann	Mark Allie Scott	Hazel Bartlett
Aug. 27, Nashua	David Michael	Steven Michael Barton	Angeline Mary Gagne
Sept. 9, Nashua	Peter David	Paul Delano Delude	Shirley Ann Boutwell
Sept. 16, Nashua	Andrew Dewey Hatfield	William David Wendell	Betty Jane Steinert
Sept. 25, Nashua	Elizabeth Ann	John Page Magoon	Margaret Brazier
Sept. 26, Nashua	Kenneth Harold	Ralph Edward Tyrrell	JoAn Shirley Masterson
Oct. 26, Nashua	Kerry Lynn	Ralph Whitney Porter, Jr.	Carol Ann O'Connor
Oct. 26, Nashua	Mary-Jane	Arthur George Charron	Catherine Veronica Buckley
Oct. 28, Nashua	Edward Lawrence	Frank-Spencer Millward	Ivy Weddilove
Nov. 2, Nashua	Dorothy Louise	Robert James Fraser	Anita Jeannette Fisher
Nov. 3, Goffstown	Lloyd Walter	Donald Alfred Mack	Shirley May Parker
Nov. 26, Nashua	Michelle Florette	Robert W. dePontbriand	Bernadette C. Martineau
Dec. 5, Nashua	Kimberly Ann	Norman Hall	Ann Elizabeth Morgan
Dec. 7, Nashua	Clifford David	Peter Wadsworth Morris	Patricia Marie Crawford
Dec. 10, Nashua	David	Raymond P. Ainsworth	Margaret Louise LeCain
Dec. 13, Manchester	Charles Luce	Charles Tedlu Arnold	Sarah Derry Batchelder
Dec. 18, Nashua	Linda Kathryn	Raymond Vincent LeBlanc, Sr.	Joyce Adeline Gleneck
Dec. 19, Nashua	Philip Holmes	Philip McKernon Barnhart	Sally Jane Dunning

# Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H. For the Year Ending December 31, 1963

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>
Jan. 6, Milford	Raymond Edward Stimson	79	Elwin C. Stimson	Geneve Pickering
Jan. 7, Concord	Lillian H. Daly	78	Thomas F. M. Larner	Frances McMahon
Jan. 10, Nashua	Anna Frye	86	Price	Elizabeth Decker
Mar. 7, Milford	Margaret Louis Wilnot	83	Unknown	Catherine McGinnis
Mar. 13, Manchester	Katherine Thelma Hayward	58	Richard Fretts	Unknown
Mar. 26, Amherst	Laura E. Ball	91	Edward P. Bartlett	Lucy Green
May 15, Amherst	Alfred Whitier Bartlett	70	George W. Setzer	Gora Wangh
May 31, Amherst	Earl E. Setzer	62	Richard C. Sherman	Jennie Ingram
June 12, Nashua	Richard Gustaf Sherman, Jr.	3	Horace E. Thomas, Sr.	Mary Olausen
Aug. 13, Amherst	Dale Robert Thomas	3	Ralph Wheeler	Marjorie Patten
Aug. 16, Nashua	David Nelson Wheeler	22	James Corneli	Alberta Ford
Nov. 14, Concord	Mary Edna Harding	87	James Klein	Mary White
Nov. 17, Amherst	Troy Klein	2	George F. Sessions	Paula Parker
Nov. 23, Nashua	Roy Frederick Sessions	74	Herbert P. Warren	Blanch Lathrop
Nov. 23, Nashua	Ernest Lorenzo Warren	73	Alphonse Normandin	Rose A. Pierce
Dec. 3, Manchester	Emilia Lemelin	57	Lot G. Goddard	Marie Lacoste
Dec. 21, Milford	Mary Jane Pondret	70	Bert Akley	Lois Shuttleworth
Dec. 29, Amherst	Marion Evelyn Bond	58		Lillian --



## Brought from Away and Buried in Town

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Cemetery</i>
Jan. 30, Nashua	Ellen M. Buckley	79	St. Patricks
Feb. 8, Mont Vernon	Madeleine F. Schmitz	58	Meadowview
Mar. 5, Exeter	Marguerite C. Burt	59	Meadowview
Apr. 10, Nashua	Lula M. Richardson	78	Meadowview
Apr. 14, Mass.	Mildred G. Burke	56	Meadowview
May 6, Nashua	Dana Lemuel Fuller	90	Meadowview
May 27, Manchester	Luna Augusta Boutell	89	Meadowview
June 7, Milford	Lillian Maria Vincent	61	St. Patricks
June 12, Mass.	Alice T. Parker	80	Meadowview
July 13, Milford	Merton Eugene Byrd	36	Meadowview
July 22, New Jersey	Edwin Babcock	76	Meadowview
July 31, Mass.	Fanchon S. Jewett	76	Meadowview
Sept. 21, Milford	Nellie Blanche Holbrook	86	Meadowview
Dec. 23, Mass.	A. Wilson Brown	53	Meadowview

Vital Statistics of a Town are one of its most important records, not merely for today, but for generations to come. If everyone would see to it that the records of their own families were fully and correctly filled out for Marriage, Birth and Death certificates, it might be of great help in making out the records of today.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge.

CATHERINE A. KRUGER, Town Clerk



# **Amherst School Report**

*For the Year Ending  
June 30, 1963*

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## AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT

### School Officers — 1963-64

School Board:	Term Expires
David T. Ramsay	1966
Mrs. Dorothy Davis	1964
Paul Simpson	1964
Dr. Richard H. Goodman	Superintendent
Miss Mabel Connolly	Teacher Consultant
Mrs. Barbara Landry	Clerk-Treasurer
Creeley S. Buchanan	Moderator
James Jones, M.D.	School Physician
Pauline Woods	School Nurse
Epworth Moulton	Truant Officer
Orson H. Bragdon	Auditor
Howard L. Husmer	Auditor

## SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 40

Amherst - Brookline - Hollis - Milford - Mont Vernon

### SCHOOL CALENDAR — 1963-64

Begin	Close	
Sept. 4 (Wed.)	Dec. 20 (Fri.)	74 days
(Oct. 25, Nov. 11, 28, 29 — No School)		
Jan. 2 (Thurs.)	Feb. 21 (Fri.)	37 days
Mar. 2 (Mon.)	April 24 (Fri.)	39 days
(Mar. 27 — No School)		
May 4 (Mon.)	Approx. June 19 (Fri.)	35 days
		<hr/> 185 days

### SCHOOL CALENDAR — 1964-65

Sept. 9 (Wed.)	Dec. 23 (Wed.)	73 days
(Oct. 23, Nov. 26, 27 — No School)		
Jan. 4 (Mon.)	Feb. 19 (Fri.)	35 days
Mar. 1 (Mon.)	April 23 (Fri.)	39 days
(April 16 — No School)		
May 3 (Mon.)	Approx. June 24 (Thurs.)	38 days
		<hr/> 185 days

School will be in session a full day each day.

Supervisory Union 40 Teachers' Meeting, September 8, 1964.

Workshops to be announced.

The closing date of school will be revised depending on the number of days omitted for workshops, bad weather, etc.

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

### State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Amherst qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the sixth day of March 1964, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years, and a member for the ensuing one year.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for and to receive in the name of the district, such advances, grants in aid or other funds for education purposes, as may now, or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any state or private agency.

10. To see if the district will authorize school boards to negotiate transportation contracts that will cover a period not exceeding three years.

11. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,522.00 to provide grading and a fence at Spalding field and a fence and paving at the Clark School. If appropriated this year, the State will reimburse Amherst thirty per cent of this sum.

12. To see if the district will vote to provide school bus transportation to all pupils living more than 1½ (one and one half) miles from school and appropriate an additional sum of \$2,000.00 for said purpose or to take any action relative thereto.



13. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 14th day of February 1964.

DAVID T. RAMSAY,  
DOROTHY J. DAVIS  
PAUL K. SIMPSON

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

DAVID T. RAMSAY,  
DOROTHY J. DAVIS  
PAUL K. SIMPSON

School Board.

# AMHERST PROPOSED BUDGET — 1964-65

BUDGET ITEM	Adopted Budget 1962-63	Actual Payments 1962-63	Adopted Budget 1963-64	Proposed Budget 1964-65
<b>100 Series Administration:</b>				
110 Salaries of District Officers	\$ 401.00	\$ 382.00	\$ 401.00	\$ 401.00
135 Contracted Services (Census)	50.00	50.00	75.00	75.00
190 Other Expenses of Administration	203.00	307.32	203.00	253.00
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>654.00</b>	<b>739.32</b>	<b>679.00</b>	<b>731.00</b>
<b>200 Series Instruction:</b>				
210 Salaries for Instruction	73,467.40	71,877.41	87,215.00	96,846.00
215 Textbooks	2,000.00	1,974.20	3,700.00	2,200.00
220 Library and Audio-Visual	326.00	1,153.92	1,030.00	900.00
230 Teaching Supplies	2,300.00	2,515.52	3,300.00	2,900.00
290 Other Expenses for Instruction	652.00	831.75	1,417.67	1,307.33
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>78,745.40</b>	<b>78,352.80</b>	<b>96,662.67</b>	<b>104,153.33</b>
<b>300 Series Attendance Services</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>
<b>400 Series Health Services</b>	<b>1,635.00</b>	<b>1,579.15</b>	<b>1,685.00</b>	<b>1,730.00</b>
<b>500 Series Transportation</b>	<b>18,000.00</b>	<b>18,157.40</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>
<b>600 Series Operation of Plant:</b>				
610 Salary of Custodian	4,000.00	3,726.78	4,990.00	6,060.00
630 Supplies for Operation of Plant	800.00	987.12	1,180.00	1,300.00
635 Contracted Services	878.40	811.05	878.40	878.40
640 Heat	2,300.00	2,110.43	2,000.00	2,400.00
645 Utilities (water, elect., tel.)	1,800.00	1,974.78	1,900.00	2,400.00
<b>Total Operation of Plant</b>	<b>9,778.40</b>	<b>9,610.16</b>	<b>10,948.40</b>	<b>13,038.40</b>
<b>700 Series Maintenance of Plant</b>	<b>4,575.00</b>	<b>5,698.52</b>	<b>2,750.00</b>	<b>3,125.00</b>
<b>800 Series Fixed Charges:</b>				
850 Retirement and Social Security	5,034.03	5,148.26	6,384.53	6,832.00
855 Insurance	1,056.35	1,007.78	1,595.06	1,511.43
<b>Total Fixed Charges</b>	<b>6,090.38</b>	<b>6,156.04</b>	<b>7,979.59</b>	<b>8,343.43</b>
<b>900 Series Federal Lunch Program</b>				
(in-out)				
1200 Series Capital Outlay	1,540.00	1,735.84	1,500.00	1,800.00
		6,180.01	900.00	1,500.00

<b>1300 Series Debt Service:</b>			
1370 Principal		4,550.00	8,000.00
1371 Interest		1,496.86	1,337.06
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		6,046.86	9,337.06
<b>Total Debt Service</b>			
<b>1400 Series Out Going Transfer</b>			
Accounts:			
1477 Tuition	87,140.00	81,757.07	
Union Expenses	5,103.53	5,109.53	99,675.00
Tax for State-wide Supervision	1,108.00	1,082.00	5,471.74
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	93,357.53	87,948.60	105,146.74
<b>Total Out Going Transfer Accts.</b>			
1500 Series Special Class	6,667.08	6,434.14	13,850.52
1600 Series Contingency	2,000.00		2,000.00
Sweepstakes: Teachers and Operation of Schools			10,000.00
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<b>TOTALS</b>	\$223,067.79	\$222,616.98	\$249,533.30
Cash on hand, June 30, 1963		61,850.00	
Building Fund		5,146.37	
Cash on hand, June 30, 1963		<hr/>	
General Fund		289,613.35	24,750.00
	4,996.04	70,791.60	
		4.63	
<b>*Estimated Revenue</b>			
Cash on hand, June 30, 1962		218,817.12	270,030.48
<b>TAX ASSESSMENT</b>			
<b>*Estimated Revenue</b>			
Trust Funds	420.00	613.86	500.00
Tuition - special class	3,333.54	3,466.64	8,650.00
State Aid - special class	750.00	1,653.90	1,000.00
N. D. E. A.	492.50	1,215.86	400.00
Lunch Program		1,735.84	1,800.00
State Building Aid			2,400.00
Bond Receipts		61,000.00	
Tran. Gen. Fund		850.00	
Other		253.50	
Sweepstakes			10,000.00
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<b>TOTAL</b>	4,996.04	70,791.60	24,750.00
Total Revenue, 1962-63	\$223,067.79	\$289,613.35	
	1960	1961	1963
Assessed Valuation for Tax Purposes	\$3,329,057.00	\$3,575,295.00	\$4,336,628.00
School Tax Rate/\$1000 Valuation	\$47.55	\$51.74	\$54.10
		\$55.80	

## NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ASSESSMENT, 1963

### EXPENDITURES

Current Expenditures	\$242,586 44
Capital Outlay:	
New Equipment	900 00
Debt and Interest	6,046 86
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Total Appropriation	\$249,533 30

### RECEIPTS

Balance, June 30, 1963 — Less Liabilities	\$ 5,146 37
Federal Aid (Estimate)	2,000 00
State Aid	2,345 60
Tuition (Estimate)	3,500 00
Trust Funds (Estimate)	500 00
Assessment required to meet	
School District Appropriation	\$236,041 33
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Total Appropriation	\$249,533 30

Authorization to issue notes or bonds.

Purpose for which notes or bonds were voted.

Date Voted

March 8, 1963    Clark School Addition    \$61,000 00

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet the statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the School District of Amherst held March 8, 1963.

BARBARA H. LANDRY,  
Clerk.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1963)  
BARBARA H. LANDRY, Treasurer,

In account with the School District of Amherst.

Dr.

Cash on Hand July 1, 1962	\$	4	63
Board of Selectmen:			
Current Appropriation as of March 1962	218,817	12	
State Sources	1,655	90	
Federal Funds	2,951	70	
Tuition	3,466	64	
Trust Funds	613	86	
Other Income	253	50	
			<hr/>
Total Receipts	\$227,763	35	

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Payments on order of School Board	\$222,616	98	
Balance on Hand June 30, 1963			
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)	5,146	37	

Dr.

Building Fund:			
Bond Issue	\$61,000	00	
Transferred General Fund	850	00	
			<hr/>
Total	\$61,850	00	
Balance on Hand June 30, 1963			
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$61,850	00	

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from all  
State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements, and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Amherst, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963, and find them correct in all respects.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,  
HOWARD L. HUSMER,  
Auditors.

## SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

A double obligation constantly faces a school board as it discharges its responsibilities, renders decisions and sets policies: first, to provide the best education possible for all the pupils and second, to serve the best interests of all the taxpayers.

Closely connected with this two-fold duty is the main task of drawing up the proposed budget to reflect the needs of the new year. The board is confronted with myriad problems stemming from ever-increasing enrollment, mounting costs in most items and the pressure of time and space to establish a secure, long-range future for the twelve grades.

A prerequisite to the annual meeting is a careful study by all the citizens of the budget and the reports and recommendations of all school officials.

Since last March much has been accomplished. Four classrooms and washrooms were added to the Clark School, an outside boiler room was built to house heating facilities adequate for future additions and two and a half acres for playground were purchased from Miss Honora Spalding. The final payment of this debt will be made in the 1968-69 budget.

Gratitude goes to the building committee, Carl Merrill, chairman, Charles Lincoln, Howard Boothroyd and Rufus Brown, for their interest and zeal in seeing to it that all was ready for the August 25 dedication and the opening of school.

The total budget increase this year over the preceding year amounts to \$28,613. The principal areas of increase are as follows:

Instruction	\$ 7,491
Operation of Plant	2,090
Debt Service	3,290
Tuition	14,450
Miscellaneous (net)	1,292
Total	<hr/> \$28,613

Instruction reflects an increase because of the addition of a third first-grade teacher and also because of a proposed salary schedule change from a \$4,200 to a \$4,300 starting base and step increases of 5 per cent rather than 4 per cent which has been in effect. This change is in line with the recommendations of other school districts in Union No. 40.

The amount budgeted for plant operation is more because of the need for additional janitor service, occasioned for the most part by the increase in school building space.

The increase in debt service is in line with the amount appropriated one year ago to finance the addition to the Clark School.

The tuition increase is due to the greater number of Amherst pupils in the Milford schools. There are now 184 and it is estimated there will be 213 in the 1964-65 school year.

The following needs have been placed in a special article for consideration and action: to grade and fence the new Spalding field, estimated at \$3920; to hot-top an apron outside the new rooms at Clark, \$1352; to erect fence between playground and Wilkins-Morris properties, \$250.

In reference to the above costs the board points out the importance of realizing this is the last opportunity to receive 30 per cent state building aid to Amherst on district appropriations for the latest Clark addition project.

These facts and figures lead naturally into a discussion of the future direction of the Amherst schools, particularly the top six. The board agrees the unsettled condition existing during the past few years has to end.

At the special September school meeting legal steps were taken, simultaneously with Milford, to study the Authorized Regional Enrollment Area plan which be-



comes law July 1, 1964. Moderator Buchanan appointed Erik Brown, Paul Simpson and David Ramsay to work with three Milford citizens, appointed for the same purpose.

The school study committee, headed by Wallace Warren, was instructed to acquire facts and figures on an Amherst junior-senior high school should the AREA plan be unacceptable to either district.

Your board has worked with the various study groups and hopes to be in a position to recommend the most feasible and practical plan that offers the best education for our children.

Reports and open meetings to discuss their findings and to determine the area of interest of the people of Amherst will be conducted by these study groups in the spring.

Deep appreciation must go to Superintendent Goodman and Teacher Consultant Connolly, to Principal Wostrel and the school staff for their interest and work with our boys and girls; also to the Amherst PTA and other organizations who have given their time and effort to many worthy school projects; and to Custodian Drygala and his son Reiner for their excellent care of the three buildings.

Appreciation is also expressed to Robert Foster for his active interest of the last 18 months and regret for his resignation. The board is pleased to welcome Paul Simpson to serve until the March elections.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID RAMSAY, Chairman

(Robert Foster, Chairman,  
March-December)

DOROTHY DAVIS, Secretary

PAUL SIMPSON

# ADMINISTRATION

## *Superintendent*

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my third annual report. In this report, I want to draw your attention to the subject of teachers' salaries.

Each year the major item in the annual budgets of school districts is that for teachers' salaries. And each year, as your Superintendent of Schools, I find myself once more in the middle of numerous discussions on the subject of how much the teachers of the boys and girls in our school districts should be paid. Never have I met one person who wants to see a lowering of the quality of education our children receive, for we all realize how vitally important it is to see to it that our youth are well trained to take their place in tomorrow's unpredictable times. And yet, each year, the question, "How much is a teacher worth?" is raised again at budget time.

Surely the value of a good teacher cannot be measured in terms of dollars and cents. Each of us can remember those teachers who made such an important impact on our lives, and we want the same type of high quality teachers for our own children.

Concern that we pay enough to keep our excellent teachers here and attract top quality teachers for our children is not new in the 60's. A Union 40 school board, Milford, wrote this in the 1891 annual report: "We would gladly retain teachers when they are doing good work, but oftentimes just when of most value to us, they find they can do better elsewhere, and we must let them go. Experience has a money value and if we would have it, we must pay the market price."

### *Era of Change*

Even though the problems of finding and keeping

good teachers are not new, they are certainly very difficult, for many changes have taken place in our total way of life. Not all of these changes are for the good, but we must live with them. Better highways crowded with faster automobiles, television, electronic data processing, and space travel are only a few of the obvious changes. And there are changes in the teaching profession as well, changes with which teachers must live. To be trained for a teaching job, a person must complete at least a four year college program. To obtain a State teaching license, a requirement before a person can be employed as a teacher, specified college or university subjects must be completed. To retain this license, a minimum of six semester hours must be completed every five years.

### *Teachers and Pupils Faced with Explosion of Knowledge*

The above are minimum requirements. In Supervisory Union 40 school districts, the teaching staff has an excellent record of exceeding the requirements in order to keep up with the many changes taking place in the school curriculum.

The National Science Foundation is the most well-known group today that has improved subjects our boys and girls now study. New courses in mathematics, chemistry, and physics are already in your schools, and others will come as needed. "Needed for what?" one may ask. The answer is very simple. They are needed if our boys and girls are to be ready to compete with others for the jobs and life of tomorrow. The obvious changes I noted in highways, television, etc., are visible to all. Less visible but very important are those many changes resulting both in and from the tremendous explosion of knowledge which is part of our times.

*" . . . Because of a Love for Teaching Children . . . "*

I am very proud of each of our teachers, who be-

cause of a love for teaching children, has spent and is spending a great deal of his time and money to take the subjects needed in order for him to help our children. You are probably saying to yourself at this point, "What does all of this have to do with teachers' salaries?"

### *Trying to Find Good Teachers*

Each year I spend a great deal of time between January and the opening of school in September traveling to many colleges and universities to try to convince those seniors qualified to teach that they should apply for a job in our schools. More time is spent trying to keep our top quality teachers with us. Those outstanding teachers who decide to leave do so in almost every instance because of salary. Those who decide to come here do so because they feel the teaching conditions are good. *But many, many top notch people do not apply* because the salary schedule is not competitive with other school districts in New Hampshire, and even less competitive with the Southern New England states. Two years ago, twenty seniors at the University of New Hampshire and the same number each from Keene and Plymouth State Colleges applied for positions here. Last year only five from UNH were interested, and ten each from Keene and Plymouth. During the interview days in those colleges, superintendents from other New Hampshire school districts, with salaries ranging from \$4400 to \$7000, were attracting most of the candidates.

Two years ago, through vigorous recruiting, I was successful in attracting candidates from some of New England's top-rated colleges and universities in Maine, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. (Bowdoin, Colby, Williams, Harvard, Wesleyan) Last year, not one person from those institutions was interested in applying here — because of our salary plan.

Teachers are interested in location, housing, and teaching conditions as well as salary when they apply

for a position. Those teachers who are most interested in doing a superb job of teaching our boys and girls are the people you and I want for our schools. Our location and teaching conditions are excellent. Some citizens offer good housing at reasonable rates and more is needed. (Inform my office if you would have apartments to rent for the next school year.)

### *Need to Regain Competitive Status in Salary Plan*

The salary plan recommended by the Salary Committee and the School Boards of Milford, Hollis, and Amherst is one which will enable our schools to begin to regain a competitive status with other school districts. Although we will still be somewhat behind those New Hampshire districts paying from \$4400 or \$4500 to \$7000 and more, we will be moving forward and by this very act will encourage our own top quality teachers to stay and others to apply. The School Boards and administration can provide an excellent professional environment. I hope the citizens will provide the recommended salary plan, which will range from \$4300 to \$6112 (\$6090 Milford) next year with a future limit of \$6900.

In closing, I want to take this opportunity to thank Miss Connolly, every principal, teacher, aide or secretary, lunch worker, custodian, bus transporter — everyone connected with the operation of our schools — for cooperating to provide a good education for our boys and girls. A special expression of thanks is due from each of us to the members of the School Boards and to study committee members and other citizens who work for little or no remuneration, but from a sense of devotion to each town in Supervisory Union 40.

## OUR TEACHER CONSULTANT

Each school in this union functions in the light of one basic philosophy, that of understanding and providing for the individual and group needs of all its pupils. The means taken to implement this philosophy differs from school to school for the reason that no two schools or communities are exactly alike; consequently, the programs developed take into consideration the resources and requirements of the school itself. Within each school may be found some of the best educational practices in this country. What are some of these practices?

### *Guidance and Grouping*

Any school dedicated to such a philosophy must have operating a successful guidance program, since guidance is based upon the same philosophy — that the needs of each individual are recognized and are being met. Our elementary schools have been actively participating in a guidance program for several years. We group our children so they may achieve at their own rate. Frustration, which kills incentive and is a contributing factor for underachievement and dropouts, is lessened, and to a great extent, eliminated. This grouping is flexible, starting when the child enters school and continuing throughout the elementary years. Many children change from group to group as their progress and achievement indicate their needs. Because this grouping cuts across grade lines to such an extent, we may consider our schools ungraded in most subject areas. We may also consider it a program of continuous progress. Many children, who in the past would have repeated a grade, have taken the normal time to do their six years' work, as this program is especially favorable to those who make a slow start. Without experiencing failure, frustration, and the pressures of trying to catch up, they soon match the strides

the other children have taken for themselves. The accelerated group moves along at its own pace and is ready for advanced work when it enters Junior High. The large group of so-called average pupils have gained to the extent that the needs of children at either end of the range have been met. A surprising number of these children exhibit real leadership once they are placed in positions where critical thinking and creativity are demanded. They must rely upon their own resources rather than that of certain other pupils who naturally assert themselves. We find that many from this group work their way into an advanced group after a few years of experience in this program. Annual standardized tests compare the work of the children in the schools of our union with each other and with those on a national basis. The results are so encouraging that we know that this program "works."

One of our most significant kinds of grouping in recent years is that which provides for children in special classes. These children are so important to us and their education so necessary that our local, state, and federal governments recognize this and are actively engaged in furthering financial responsibility to meet their needs. We may be proud of work being done in our Amherst Special Class. Of great concern is the fact that we have more children who qualify for this type of education than can be cared for in our present program. Because of this, the number must be limited until another class is secured. Up to the present time, we have had children from Amherst, Milford, Brookline, and Mont Vernon. Plans are being considered for another such class. This would extend the age range and allow more children to have the type of education they deserve if they are to be educated to the extent of their potentialities.

#### *Guidance and Teacher Aides*

Another of our most promising practices is the use

of teacher aides. The aide allows the teacher to spend more time doing the work for which she is hired — that of teaching children. The greatest dividend is the added time it gives the teacher to work with the individual child, to be more aware of his needs, and to put into practice a program designed to meet these needs.

### *Guidance and Cooperative Teaching*

Some of our schools are in the process of developing programs of cooperative teaching as a means of strengthening the curriculum and providing more dynamic and effective learning situations. Where there is more than one teacher for a so-called grade all the children may have the benefit of the special talents of each teacher. The cooperative planning and teaching of lessons not only enhances the program but promotes professional growth and promises to strengthen the over-all education of our pupils. Large group, small group and individual learning situations extend the number of opportunities for providing for the individual differences of children, and for the children to share their own talents with each other. This type of program lends itself readily to the guidance of our children toward optimum development. Amherst is to be congratulated for its farsightedness in recent classroom construction where folding walls between classrooms facilitate this type of teaching. The teachers of this union, who have participated in the strenuous summer sessions of the Harvard-Lexington programs, deserve special commendation, as do those who are actively sharing in the application of the experiences in cooperative teaching and other excellent practices gained from these sessions.

### *Guidance and the Underachiever*

All of these desirable practices are intended to help prevent one of the greatest problems to be found in



education — that of underachievement. In a traditional school, the program is geared to the average on a take-it-or-leave-it basis. Those pupils who do not meet the standards set up for an entire grade repeat the work and then drop out at the first opportunity. The rapid learner has no choice but to become satisfied with what for him is mediocre work. When he enters college, he finds great difficulty in meeting the standards set for this more select group.

We realize that much more has to be done to solve the problem of underachievement, but feel very encouraged with the continuing increase in achievement at all levels. Our testing program is a constant tangible measure of this achievement. There are, however, other phases of growth that are difficult to measure but are very obvious results of our programs. These are in areas of development of the individual such as creativity, critical thinking, leadership, and a joy of learning.

### *Guidance and Dropouts*

Another goal we hope to attain through our elementary programs is the elimination of dropouts. Even though most of them occur beyond the elementary school, it is still everyone's concern, because somewhere along the line they are developing certain conditioning factors that lead to an unfinished education. This conditioning may be the result of continued failures and frustrations in school or at home. Lack of interest in education on the part of the parents may cause some of the dropouts. Sometimes too little is expected of the child, or too much. When the child cannot find his way beyond the impossible demands placed upon him by conflicting interests and requirements of the home and school, the threshold of frustration has been reached and to drop out of school is inevitable. What the parent thinks about school determines to a large degree

what the pupil's reaction is to it. The parent's satisfaction, dissatisfaction, or lack of interest in the school is usually reflected in the child's manner of adapting to a specific school environment, or to education in general. We are becoming increasingly aware of this problem, as we consider it to be a tremendous waste of one of our country's most precious resources — that of the human mind with all its potentials, and upon which the strength of this nation depends. Much of our future leadership could be found among these students who, for one reason or another, discontinued their educational development.

### *Cooperation*

Unquestionably, the education of our youth is the concern of many people and depends upon the cooperation of the school, the parents, and the total community. Fortunately, this rare combination is outstanding in this school union, and is the reason why our schools are doing such an exceptional job in educating our children.

To the teachers, Dr. Goodman, the School Boards, other school personnel, the parents, and countless friends of education, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for their dedication to the task of providing the best for our youth. I am proud to be a member of this group.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL I. CONNOLLY,  
Teacher Consultant

## MILFORD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

George H. Corson, Principal

"What does the future hold for the education of the youth of Milford?" This question has been left unanswered for these many years. We now find our "backs to the wall," and a decision must be made at the March meeting. This problem has been studied by many committees over the years and it is hoped that the combined thinking of all these groups will be presented to you, the voter, by the committee now studying the so-called "Area Plan."

Basically the problem boils down to this: "Shall Milford exclude other towns from its educational system and educate its own or shall we become an Area school and combine with other towns to educate all area pupils." There are many pros and cons to be weighed in making such a decision. The answers to many questions should be sought after and deliberated upon before a final judgment is made. To make you realize the urgency of the situation and to help you answer some of these questions in your own minds, I would like to present some of the facts directly related to the problem.

Milford Senior High School was built to accommodate four hundred pupils. This year we have approximately 385 pupils and find ourselves in trouble, space-wise. We are holding study halls in the cafeteria and classes in the Music Room, the Conference Room and an occasional one on the Stage. One reason for this is poor utilization of the space which we have. The gymnasium, the largest single area we have, sits idle day in and day out. If gym classes were being held there regularly it would relieve the load on the classroom area of the building. Next year with an

estimated enrollment of 425 pupils we will have to use this area, if not for physical education, then for study halls. These study halls would require a teacher's time, thus it would seem wise to enhance our curriculum with physical education for all. If used for a study hall, additional units of furniture would need to be purchased and additional custodial time would be needed to place and remove these units each day during the regular basketball season, for each activity of school, or outside use not needing chairs.

The cafeteria, capacity of 100, is of real concern. With the expected enrollment, even if the pupils could be scheduled at an even number each of the four lunch periods, we are going to be very crowded. It would be a rare schedule indeed that would or could be made to keep the numbers so evenly distributed. It would seem very unwise to create another lunch period when some pupils eat as early as 11:20 a. m. and some as late as 1:15 p. m.

With increased emphasis on sciences and the necessity of having a broad curriculum in this area, we find our laboratory facilities being taxed to their limit.

In the field of Business Education, our facilities are operating at 100% utilization this year. This means that some pupils may be denied some course in this area another year.

We will have 406 lockers for 425 people. This will mean having two people use a single small locker in some instances.

In general, the above presentation of some of the problems facing us, points out the fact that next year will be the last year possible to operate with facilities we have and the numbers of pupils expected in the near future.

The following projections indicate the enrollments for the next five years at the Senior High School.

# ENROLLMENT — GRADES 6 - 12

	January 1, 1963						
Grade	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Mont Vernon	12						
Amherst	56	64					
Milford	110	145	142	155	138	131	117
Total	178	209	142	155	138	131	117

## PROJECTED ENROLLMENT

	Senior High School — 1963 - 1967					
Year	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	
Grade 10	138	155	142	201	178	
Grade 11	131	138	155	142	209	
Grade 12	117	131	138	155	142	
Total	386	424	435	498	529	

A decision must be made. What the decision is can only be determined by you, the voter.

The year 1962-63 was most profitable in many ways.

During May of 1963, a team of educators visited us for the purpose of evaluating our school. As a result of their findings, we were elected to membership in the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. This is an accrediting organization of nation-wide repute.

Our 1963 graduation class distinguished itself in many ways. Fifty-four percent of them went on to post secondary education. Twenty-two percent to four-year colleges and thirty-two percent to two-year colleges and other post secondary types of education.

A four-year study of the very critical, nation-wide drop-out problem has been conducted by the State Department of Education, and I am happy to report that Milford's drop-out percentage is one of the lowest in the state, being only four percent.

We the faculty, staff and pupils of Milford Senior High School want to thank the School Board, the Superintendent of Schools and his staff, the School Doctors and Nurses, the staff of the noon lunch program, the custodial staff, and all those who contributed in any way to the health, welfare, and education of the youth we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. CORSON,  
Principal  
Milford Senior High School

## MILFORD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Chester S. Buck, *Principal*

To the School Board, Superintendent of Schools, and  
Citizens of Amherst:

In accordance with the request of the School Board, I herewith submit my report on the condition of the Junior High School building and recommendations for corrective action which will make it a suitable educational facility.

The year 1964 makes the old high school, now the junior high school building, 70 years old. For seventy years the building has withstood the onslaught of countless numbers of boys and girls. It is only natural that the vast number of students and the ravages of time would leave their mark. One has but to walk through the school with a critical eye to see evidence of the mark left by time and students. Plaster falling from ceilings and walls. Floors so uneven and worn that they are beyond sanding. Inadequate toilet facilities, faulty plumbing, shower rooms that are in poor

condition and the list of ills besetting this old building goes on and on.

The question is, what should be done about correcting this situation?

As I see it, there are three alternatives:

1. Do normal maintenance only and allow the building to fall into a greater state of disrepair or attempt piecemeal repairs.

2. Tear the building down as suggested by the Town Planning Consultant in his report to the town.

3. Renovate the building, planning for at least another 25 or 30 years of use.

Let us examine each of these three alternatives.

1. *Do normal maintenance only and allow the building to fall into even a greater state of disrepair or attempt piecemeal repairs.*

This alternative, I believe, is completely foolish. It is like the old adage, "Penny wise and pound foolish." True, it would appear that this would cost us no money, but in the long run it will cost the town far more than if they take some action now. When built in 1894, the main building without the gym and annex, cost \$36,661.30. This included building, grading the grounds, and having the building ready for students. By today's standards, the main building would cost between \$300,000 and \$500,000 to construct. If we sit back and do nothing to fix it up, sooner or later we will have to replace the building.

What about fixing a little at a time? Well, there's just so much to be done that we would never finish the job, and each year would mean more money for one thing or another. This is rather like trying to keep a car too long. It reaches the point where every week something else is worn out and one has a continual

expense just to keep the car going. With the exception of the fire escape and new sprinkler system, not much of anything has been done to or for this building in a good many years. To do nothing now will, with the passage of time, cost much more than acting now. The time to take some action is now.

2. *Tear the building down as suggested by the Town Planning Consultant in his report to the town.*

The planning consultant's suggestions simply stated are to tear down the old main building, leaving the gymnasium and annex. Connect the annex to the Jacques School with four classrooms and convert the Jacques School into a junior high school. This would necessitate building another elementary school, at least the size of the Jacques School, somewhere else in town. Apparently you, the voters, rejected this proposal at last year's school meeting when you voted to install the new \$11,000 sprinkler system. It would seem rather foolish to invest \$11,000 in the building and then tear it down. While the planning consultant's plan has some merit, I doubt if it could be completed for less than \$500,000. To say the very least, this is costly. Like most of you, I have a certain sentimental attachment for this old building. To tear it down would be akin to losing an old reliable friend. From a realistic point of view, I must also reject this plan because of its cost.

3. *Renovate the building, planning for at least another 25 or 30 years of use.*

The building appears to be structurally sound, and from this point of view will probably outlast many of the newer buildings. When constructed in 1894, builders were craftsmen who put something of themselves into their work. Things were built to last. This building was built to last, and last it has and will. However, the interior of the school needs a lot of work. The floors should be taken up and the subfloor renailed;



then, put down plywood and lay tile over it. The ceilings should be repaired or replaced where necessary. The classrooms should be remodeled to obtain maximum use of available space. The building would be made brighter and more conducive to learning. Once the task is completed, it *must* have good maintenance. When some little thing goes wrong, it should be fixed at once and not left. Many of the problems in the school today started as little jobs, but they were neglected and as time and students marched onward, the little problems have become major ones. Once renovated, little problems must be attended to at once and the building must be maintained. In the long run this is good economy. I personally believe this is the best of the three alternatives. If this task is done, the building should be good, barring unforeseen accidents, for another 30 years. Expensive? Yes, of course it will be, but far cheaper than either of the first two alternatives. It is my understanding that there will be a Warrant Article to cover this job; if so, I think it deserves your support. If any persons or groups of people are interested in seeing the interior of the school, contact the principal and he will be most happy to arrange a top to bottom tour of the school. Let's give the old girl a real 70th birthday party and keep her around for her 100th birthday!

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER S. BUCK, *Principal*

## **PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT – 1963-64**

I have the honor to submit my third annual report.

### **Staff**

An increase in pupil population, the return of the seventh grade to Amherst and several resignations have resulted in the following changes in the teaching staff.

At the Brick School Mrs. Cynthia Lathrop and Mr. William Andrews joined the staff as teachers, respectively, of science and social studies for grades 6 and 7.

At the Clark School Mrs. Irene Cook and Mrs. Linda Meserve joined the staff to teach grade 5 and Miss Lucille Charron to teach grade 4.

In October Mrs. Marian Elliott assumed the position of first grade teacher, replacing Mrs. Lucille Palmer who had been substituting following the resignation of Mrs. Marion Wilcox during the summer.

In December the Amherst School Board authorized the employment of a third first grade teacher to reduce the pupil-teacher ratio of 35-1. In January, 1964, Mrs. Mary Tait took over the instruction of the third first grade class in the room which had been renovated last year for grade 3 use.

Our music and art supervisors this year are Mrs. Florence Stiff and Mr. James Locke, respectively.

Mrs. Ruth Griffin returned to the staff to serve once again as teacher aide.

### **Instructional Program**

At the Clark School, organization for instruction has undergone a change as an outgrowth of the evaluative criteria study conducted last year.

In an effort to improve grouping procedures, the pupils are grouped homogeneously, that is, at a similar level of achievement, for reading and math. They are grouped heterogeneously, or at mixed levels of achievement, for the rest of the curriculum. Under this

plan most pupils have two teachers instructing them each day.

Carefully worked out by the staff, the plan endeavors to de-emphasize the social groupings that seem to arise inevitably in a completely homogeneous arrangement and capitalizes on teacher strengths in subject areas. Yet it does not sacrifice the advantages of homogeneity in the basic skills areas of reading and math.

At the Brick School, full departmentalization is in effect this year for grades 6 and 7, with each teacher responsible for one of the basic subject areas. For the seventh grade, special effort has been made to add to their curriculum such activities as girls' glee club, physical education and library club. Mr. Andrews has also taken the responsibility for seventh grade guidance work. However, it is not possible to offer the complete junior high curriculum such as that given by Milford.

Last year Amherst sixth grade pupils attended the Outdoor Education Program at Boston University Sargent Camp in Peterborough, N. H. The five day program was so well received that this year's sixth grade will also attend. Living and working together, the group studies natural science and related subjects. The supervisory staff consists of nine Sargent Camp instructors as well as Mrs. Cynthia Lathrop and Mr. William Andrews from the Amherst staff and Mrs. Margaret Clark from Mont Vernon.

At the Clark School, the four room addition, completed in August, 1963, has proven to be most satisfactory. The folding walls between each of the two room units have justified their expense by frequent usage of the facilities for large group instruction and for a general assembly area. In addition, the flexibility in pupil grouping afforded by the movable walls

provides increased opportunities for cooperative teaching with its concurrent advantages.

Under the leadership of Mr. Laszlo Kertesz, the instrumental music program continues to flourish. A beginners' orchestra, composed of pupils who have just recently begun instrumental instruction, got underway in January. Both this organization and the more advanced orchestral group provide many excellent musical experiences for Amherst students as well as lessons in the discipline of teamwork.

### Looking Ahead

Next year will again find all of our classroom space utilized, with several rooms edging toward a registration of 40 pupils. Part of this capacity utilization is a result of the seventh grade's return to Amherst. One should note, however, that the population projection figures prepared by the Amherst School Study Committee in October, 1962, indicated an estimated student population in 1963-64 of 338 in grades one through six. Actual enrollment as of this report was 351, or an increase of 13 over the original estimate.

Last year, for the first time in its history, Amherst had two classrooms for each grade. This year another milestone was passed with the establishment of a third first grade classroom. It would seem logical to house these pupils in three second grade classrooms next September, but space is unavailable.

In view of these facts, it would seem that future population projection figures might well be increased by 5% to allow for this rapid growth in Amherst's population and to stimulate an upward revision in planning for future elementary classroom needs.

"We cannot, any more than could past generations, see the face of the future. But we know that written across it is the word education." To this end — the education of the young — our teachers have devoted their careers. But it is a task for which many hold the

responsibility. The parent, the school, the church, the state and the nation — all are deeply involved in this venture. If one falters, all will suffer. But if we share the task equally, with determination and selflessness, we need have no fear of the future.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Amherst School Board, Dr. Richard Goodman, Miss Mabel Connolly, the townspeople of Amherst and, in particular, the entire staff of the Amherst schools for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. WOSTREL,  
Principal.

## SCHOOL STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

Since your committee reported last, several problems have been reviewed and studied. This report will bring you up to date on these studies and inform you of our recommendations.

Last spring the Milford Study Committee prepared material to carry out their responsibility in making a recommendation to Milford for a long range school program. A tuition program and a cooperative school were studied; during this time the legislature passed the AREA law. The Milford Committee and the Amherst Committee recommended that the proper steps be taken to study the AREA plan. Both towns then voted to appoint the legal committees and proceed.

The current situation indicates that during the 1965-66 school year Milford must build to accommodate the Amherst pupils. They have informed us that they will not build under the present tuition arrangement, which establishes that this program is no longer available to us. We have also been informed as follows: "At this time, based on our building capacities and enrollments, the Milford School Board believes it would be unwise to encourage your Study Committee to plan on having Amherst pupils in Milford after the 1965-66 school year." The Milford School Board also expressed the desire to have Amherst pupils in their school system under some long range plan.

The Amherst members of the AREA Planning Board have informed the Study Committee that a positive recommendation is being made, which will bring the AREA Plan to the voters of both towns in the last half of 1964. Public hearings will be held to acquaint the voters of both towns with the AREA school, and for this reason the School Study Committee is not covering this subject in detail.

Realizing that the Amherst voters would be called upon to make a decision on this subject, the most

logical alternative was studied, that of an Amherst Jr.-Sr. High School. Population studies were projected, building costs estimated, staff needs determined and an operating budget prepared.

Budgeting the costs on a 1967 basis gives the following results.

	AREA Plan	Amherst Jr. Sr.	Difference
Dollars	154,398	214,646	60,248
Cost per Pupil (307)	\$503	\$696	\$193

Projecting the valuation of the town to 1967 gives the following difference in tax rate.

AREA Plan	Amherst Jr. Sr.	Difference
\$27.22	\$37.84	\$10.62

From the above it is noted that our own Jr.-Sr. High School would cost \$60,248 more per year, a cost of 193.00 per pupil and in the years ahead an increase of 10.62 in the tax rate when compared to the Area Plan.

With the exception of one vote the Study Committee came to the following conclusions: (1) We should not build our own Jr.-Sr. High School in preference to the AREA Plan. (2) The AREA Plan is the most logical current solution to our problem.

Amherst School Study Committee

DOROTHY DAVIS

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CLARK STEWART

WALLACE WARREN, Chairman

## **A MINORITY REPORT ON AN AMHERST/MILFORD AREA SCHOOL**

In the summer or fall of 1964 you will be asked to vote on whether or not the Amherst School District should enter into an AREA school agreement with the Milford School District. For the following reasons I recommend that you vote NO (vote against an AREA school):

1. Under the AREA school law Amherst is a sending district; Milford a receiving district.

2. As it stands, the AREA school law forces a sending district to turn over forever complete control of AREA school affairs (including school costs) to a receiving district. For example,

(A) The AREA school law, from a practical point of view, makes it impossible for a sending district ever to withdraw from an AREA school. Once committed, a sending district is committed forever.

(B) Under the AREA school law, a sending district is taxed without representation in that a receiving district can decide, without reference to a sending district, to construct new, or make additions to existing, AREA school buildings. Also the receiving district can negotiate loans on AREA school property without reference to a sending district.

(C) Under the AREA school law, a sending district once in an AREA school has no vote whatsoever on any AREA school matter. All AREA school affairs are decided on solely by the school board and voters of the receiving district.

(D) Despite its payments to an AREA school, a sending district builds no equity in an AREA school.

3. It is not essential that Amherst make a decision now to go into an AREA school. The pupil population



projection figures for both Amherst and Milford indicate that Milford can continue to accept Amherst grades 8-12 until the end of the school year 65/66. The Milford School Board, however, has refused to commit themselves beyond the school year 64/65.

4. In other words, some time remains available to us before we must commit ourselves forever to an AREA school. During this time it is possible to:

(A) explore other school arrangements

(B) exert pressure to have the present AREA school law changed so that it is more favorable to a sending district.

5. The town of Amherst is growing rapidly and at a greater rate than Milford. There are good indications of future industrial and commercial development which could permit the tax burden to be distributed more equitably among the owners of private property. It follows that the people of Amherst might want and could afford their own junior senior high school at some time in the future.

6. In summary, there are no valid reasons why we must this year (1964) commit ourselves to a contract which will last forever. While time is on our side, this is not to say that a miracle automatically will occur which will solve our junior senior high school problems. Only continuing hard work by interested citizens might turn-up a solution which is preferable to an AREA school. If the AREA school turns out to be the sole solution for our junior senior high school students, we can vote on it again in 1965 or 1966.

PAUL H. BACKUS

Member of Amherst School  
Study Committee

# **FINANCIAL REPORT OF AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD**

**(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1963)**

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$288,763 35
TOTAL PAYMENTS	221,766 98
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Cash Balance June 30, 1963	
Building Fund	\$ 61,850 00
Cash Balance June 30, 1963	
General Fund	5,146 37

## **RECEIPTS IN DETAIL**

### **Federal Aid:**

NDEA Title III	\$1,215 86	
Special Lunch and		
Special Milk Program	1,735 84	
	-----	\$ 2,951 70

### **State Aid:**

Intellectually Retarded	1,655 90
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### **From Selectmen Raised by Taxation:**

Current Appropriation	218,817 12
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### **From Sources other than Taxation:**

Tuitions	4,466 64	
Trust Funds	613 86	
Other	253 50	
	-----	\$ 5,334 00

Total Receipts from all sources	\$288,758 72
Cash on hand, July 1, 1962	4 63

Grand Total	\$288,763 35
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## PAYMENTS IN DETAIL

July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1963

<b>100 Series Administration:</b>		
110	Salaries of District Officers	\$ 382 00
135	Contracted Services (census)	50 00
190	Other Expenses of Administration	307 32
		----- \$ 739 32
<b>200 Series Instruction:</b>		
210	Salaries for Instruction	\$71,877 41
215	Textbooks	1,974 20
220	Library and Audio-Visual	1,153 92
230	Teaching	2,515 52
290	Other Expenses for Instruction	831 75
		----- 78,352 80
<b>300 Series Attendance Services:</b>		25 00
<b>400 Series Health Services:</b>		1,579 15
<b>500 Series Transportation:</b>		18,157 40
<b>600 Series Operation of Plant:</b>		
610	Salary of Custodian	\$3,726 78
630	Supplies for Operation of Plant	987 12
635	Contracted Services	811 05
640	Heat	2,110 43
645	Utilities (Water, Elect. & Tel.)	1,974 78
		----- 9,610 16
<b>700 Series Maintenance of Plant</b>		5,698 52
<b>800 Series Fixed Charges:</b>		
850	Retirement and Social Security	\$5,148 26
855	Insurance	1,007 78
		----- 6,156 04
<b>900 Series Federal Lunch Program</b>		1,735 84
<b>1200 Series Capital Outlay:</b>		5,330 01
<b>1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts:</b>		
1477.1	Tuition	\$81,757 07
1477.3	District Share of Supervisory Union Expense	5,109 53
1477.4	Tax for State-Wide Supervision	1,082 00
		----- 87,948 60
<b>1500 Series Special Class:</b>		6,434 15
		-----
		\$221,766 98

## BALANCE SHEET – JUNE 30, 1963

### ASSETS

Cash on Hand General Fund June 30, 1963	\$ 5,146 37
Cash on Hand School Building Fund June 30, 1963	61,850 00
Net Debt (excess of liabilities over assets)	55,853 63
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Total	\$122,850 00

### LIABILITIES

Accounts Reserved for Special Purposes	
Cash on Hand June 30, 1963,	
Building Fund	\$ 61,850 00
Notes and Bonds	61,000 00
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Grand Total	\$122,850 00

ROBERT FOSTER,  
DAVID RAMSAY,  
MRS. DOROTHY DAVIS,  
School Board

RICHARD H. GOODMAN, Superintendent

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

ROBERT FOSTER,  
DAVID RAMSAY,  
MRS. DOROTHY DAVIS,  
School Board

RICHARD H. GOODMAN, Superintendent  
July 1, 1963

## INSURANCE COVERAGE — 1962-63

2½ Story Brick School	\$ 65,000 00
Park Street School Building (Annex)	8,000 00
Clark School	80,000 00
Contents	12,600 00
	-----
Total	\$165,600 00
Blanket contents and buildings, 1963-64	\$306,000 00

## AMHERST SCHOOL BUILDING FUND

January 23, 1964

### RECEIPTS

Bond Issue	\$61,000 00
Transferred from General Fund	\$850 00
	272 69
	-----
	1,122 69
Twombly Associates	20 00
	-----
Total Receipts	\$62,142 69

### PAYMENTS

Contractor	\$55,510 00
Land	2,500 00
Equipment	3,676 39
Legal	68 25
Lighting	336 00
Miscellaneous (Welding, etc.)	52 05
	-----
Total Payments	\$62,142 69
	-----

# **AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE**

**Serial Notes — \$61,000.**  
Date of Issue — June 1, 1963  
Rate of Interest — 2½ %  
Payable semi-annually

Due Date	Interest	Principal	Balance
			\$61,000.
Dec. 1, 1963	\$779.44	\$ 4,550.	\$56,450.
June 1, 1964	717.42	0.	56,450.
Dec. 1, 1964	721.31	8,000.	48,450.
June 1, 1965	615.75	0.	48,450.
Dec. 1, 1965	612.36	16,450.	32,000.
June 1, 1966	406.67	0.	32,000.
Dec. 1, 1966	404.42	16,000.	16,000.
June 1, 1967	203.34	0.	16,000.
Dec. 1, 1967	202.22	16,000.	0.

## **AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Amherst, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,  
HOWARD L. HUSMER,  
Auditors

## SALARIES — 1962-63

### a. Superintendent

State's Share		\$3,250 00
Local Share:		
Amherst	\$1,182 60	
Brookline	369 30	
Hollis	1,025 70	
Milford	3,159 00	
Mont Vernon	263 40	
	-----	6,000 00
		-----
		\$9,250 00

### b. Teacher Consultant

State's Share		\$2,500 00
Local Share:		
Amherst	\$1,005 21	
Brookline	313 90	
Hollis	871 85	
Milford	2,685 15	
Mont Vernon	223 89	
	-----	5,100 00
		-----
		\$7,600 00

## REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISION — 1962-63

Alexandre G. Law, M.D., Examiner

Mrs. Marion Gangloff, R.N., School Nurse

Total number of children examined	131
Tuberculosis Tests	328

The following defects, treatments and corrections  
were reported:

	Defects	Pupils Receiving Treatment
Defective Tonsils & Adenoids	9	2
Cardiac Disease	2	2
Defective Hearing	1	1
Orthopedic	2	0
Teeth (Defective)	11	8
Defective Lungs	2	2

Parents were informed of all the above cases.

### Diseases Reported:

Chicken Pox	65
Whooping Cough	16
Mumps	3
Pediculosis	2
Impetigo	1
Scabies	7

Pre-School Clinic, January 1963 — No. examined 241

Number Home Visits by School Nurse 197



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL LUNCH SUPERVISOR

September 1962 through June 1963

During this school year an average of 95 pupils were served a lunch daily. The daily cost was 25 cents per meal. The following financial statement was filed at Superintendent Goodman's office:

### *Receipts:*

Balance July 1, 1962		\$ 284 81
Lunch Sales — Children	\$4,618 41	
Lunch Sales — Adults	267 45	
Reimbursement (USDA)	1,735 84	
Loan	45 00	
Miscellaneous Cash	47 36	
Total Receipts	-----	6,714 06
		-----
Total Available		\$6,998 87

### *Expenditures:*

Food	\$4,117 66	
Labor	2,762 63	
Equipment	49	
Miscellaneous	114 99	
Total Expended	-----	\$6,995 77
Cash on Hand June 30, 1963		3 10
		-----
Total		\$6,998 87

### *Other Program Resources:*

#### Donations

Food \$100.00, Labor \$400.00, Misc. \$10.00	\$ 510 00
USDA Commodities, Wholesale Value	933 59
	-----
	\$1,443 59

In the above chart the \$400.00 worth of labor donated is that provided by about 50 volunteer PTA mothers

who gave two hours per week for one month each. This is deeply appreciated by your staff.

Due to the low balance and tight budget it was decided by Dr. Goodman and your staff and school board that a rise in price to 30c per meal was warranted for the year 1963-1964. Various interested persons made gifts of seasonable foods which were appreciated. Also such things as dish towels, etc. are included in the miscellaneous gifts.

#### Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1963

##### *Assets*

Cash in Bank	\$ 3 10	
Reimbursement Due	206 48	
Food Inventory	100 00	
Supplies	300 00	
Total Assets	-----	\$609 58

##### *Liabilities*

Withholding Payable	\$140 20	
FICA Payable	55 68	
Total Liabilities	-----	\$195 88
Working Capital		13 70
		-----
Total Liabilities and Capital		\$209 58
Net Surplus		400 00
		-----
		\$609 58

Respectfully submitted,

NATALIE OSBORNE, Supervisor  
RUTH LONG, Assistant

## GENERAL STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR

1962-1963

Number of pupils registered during year:	
Boys 181; Girls 185	366
Enrollment by grades:	
I — 59; II — 69; III — 46; IV — 61;	
V — 53; VI — 63; Special Elementary — 15	366
Average membership in grades 1 - 6	354.8
Percent of attendance in grades 1 - 6	94.7
Number of sessions in all schools	360
Teaching positions:	
Elementary	14
Part-time teachers	4
Number not absent or tardy during year:	
Grades 1 - 6	19

## OUR TEACHERS — 1963-64

Teachers and assignment	Experience	
	Local	Total
Herbert Wostrel — Principal	3	6
CLARK SCHOOL		
Mrs. Rachel Brown — Grade 3	13	17
Lucille Charron — Grade 4	1	1
Mrs. Mary Deschenes — Grade 1	4	11
Mrs. Marian Elliott — Grade 1	1	6
Mrs. Sarah Greenhalgh — Grade 2	15	19
Mrs. Elma Kittredge — Grade 4	13	19
Mrs. Mary McGee — Grade 3	19	25
Mrs. Linda Meserve — Grade 5	1	3
Mrs. Marguerite Ryder — Grade 2	2	3
Mrs. Mary Tait — Grade 1	1	4
BRICK SCHOOL		
William Andrews — Social Studies	1	4
Mrs. Cynthia Lathrop — Science	1	1
Mrs. Lucy Richardson — Special Class	6	6
Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw — English	2	10
Mrs. Emma Wheeler — Math	5	9
Mrs. Ruth Griffin — Teacher Aide	2	2
Mrs. Catherine Hammond — Lip Reading	23	23
Laszlo Kertesz — Orchestra	5	16
James Locke — Art	1	1
Mrs. Florence Stiff — Music	1	3

# SCHOOL CENSUS

	Age as of Sept. 1, 1963	Total	Boys	Girls	No. Attending Public School in District	Out of District
Under	1	58	32	26		
	1	65	37	28		
	2	55	24	31		
	3	72	37	35		
	4	63	35	28		
	5	71	40	31	26	
	6	55	26	29	55	
	7	60	40	20	60	
	8	59	25	34	58	
	9	58	28	30	58	
	10	52	24	28	49	
	11	62	32	30	60	1
	12	53	25	28	39	13
	13	43	25	18	9	31
	14	48	24	24	1	42
	15	40	18	22	1	35
	16	46	24	22		35
	17	33	16	17		22
	18	47	25	22		8
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Totals		1040	537	503	416	187

## Amherst Tuition Pupils Attending Milford High School 1963-1964

Grade 8	35	Grade 11	32
Grade 9	50	Grade 12	35
Grade 10	33		

**AMHERST PUPILS GRADUATING FROM  
MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL – JUNE 1963**

Jonathan Allan Anderson  
\*Karen Elizabeth Brown  
\*Gary Leigh Burgess  
Elizabeth Gage Davis  
\*Charlotte Bissell Eaton  
Arthur Malcolm Fraser  
\*Lawrence Carleton Hall  
David Henry Herlihy, Jr.  
Helen Josephine Holland  
Joseph Loring Marsh II  
Margaret Ann Michie  
Bonnie Rose Murray  
Wayne George Smith  
Linda June Thorell  
Joan Holly Weimont  
Linda Ebon Weiss

\* National Honor Society

## SYNOPSIS OF AMHERST SCHOOL MEETING

March 8, 1963

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Creeley Buchanan, at 3:30 for the purpose of opening the polls. The motion was made and seconded to keep the polls open until 7:30. Vote carried. One hundred and seven votes were cast.

Article 1. Mr. Creeley Buchanan was elected Moderator.

Article 2. Mrs. Barbara Landry was elected Clerk.

Article 3. Mr. David Ramsay was elected to the School Board for three years.

Article 3. Mrs. Dorothy Davis was elected to the School Board for one year.

Article 4. Mrs. Barbara Landry was elected Treasurer.

Article 5. Mrs. Lathrop moved that these items covered by the budget be passed and covered at the time Article 8 was considered. Carried.

Article 6. Since all reports were printed in the Town Report, it was moved to pass this article. Carried.

Article 7. It was moved and voted that the Town Auditors serve as School Auditors.

Article 8. It was moved and seconded that Article 8 be passed until Article 13 had been acted upon. Carried.

Article 13. Mr. Jesse Weber moved that action by the meeting be on the article itself and not on the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee. Seconded. After a lengthy discussion and several appeals from the ruling of the chair this motion carried.

The Citizens Committee presented a review of their findings and recommendations. Mr. Robert Foster spoke on behalf of the School Board and stated that at present all State Laws were being followed by the Board and the Carrier, and that the Board felt

further study was needed. Several members of the meeting asked the Board about the contract with the Carrier and how the rate was arrived at. The question was called and the article lost.

It was then moved and seconded to consider the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee for further study. Seconded. A lengthy discussion followed relative to the wisdom of limiting the time of the study, and having a special school meeting called for the purpose of acting upon the recommendation of the study group. It was finally voted to have the study committee report to the school board prior to the September opening of school.

Article 8. The School Budget was discussed point by point by the School Board. It was moved and seconded to raise \$243,486.44 for the operation of the schools during the year 1963-1964.

Article 9. The meeting voted that the district be empowered to accept all grants and aid.

Article 10. Mr. David Ramsay moved that the district raise \$57,000 for the purpose of adding four classrooms to the Clark School and to purchase additional land. Seconded. Mr. Richard Smith amended the figure by \$4,000 to \$61,000 for the purpose of adding a fire resistant boiler room. Amendment carried.

A discussion followed regarding the figure as submitted by the School Board and the Ways and Means Committee. It was pointed out that additional sanitary facilities were not included in the estimate, but that at present were up to State Standards.

The vote carried unanimously.

Article 11. Mr. Foster moved the appointment of a building committee to consist of two citizens and the School Board. This motion was amended to read "four citizens and the School Board." Motion carried.

Article 12. Mr. Foster moved that the District be empowered to accept all grants and aid. Carried.

Article 14. Mrs. Lathrop moved that no action be taken on this article and that the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee be adopted. Carried.

Article 15. Mr. Roland Fraser moved a vote of thanks for the excellent work of Mrs. Cynthia Lathrop.

Mr. Foster moved that the district vote to continue the school study committee. Carried.

Mrs. Lathrop offered a resolution thanking Mr. James Walker for his many years of service to the School Board and the District.

Mr. Worth offered a resolution commending the moderator for his excellent job.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 P. M.

BARBARA H. LANDRY, Clerk

## SYNOPSIS OF SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING

September 25, 1963

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 8:00 P. M. The Clerk read the warrant.

Article 1. Mrs. Dorothy Davis moved that the District create an area school district planning committee and elect three members, one of whom must come from the school board, or determine that they be appointed by the Moderator. Seconded and voted.

Mr. Robert Foster moved that the members of the area school study committee be appointed by the moderator. Seconded and voted.

Mr. Robert Foster moved that the present school study committee be instructed to study the matter of a comprehensive school in the Town of Amherst for grades 1-12 and report at the next regular meeting. Seconded and voted.

Mr. Whaland moved adjournment. Seconded.

Adjourned 8:30 P. M.

BARBARA LANDRY, Clerk









